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IRIS BENTON, MOVIEDOM LOVE
GODDESS, IS A PRISONER
IN THE GORILLA'S
LAIR... THE
OUTCOME
FOR

"THE GHOST-
WHO-WALKS"
IS EXPLOSIVE,
TERRIFYING
DANGER
IN...

"TEST OF AN IDOL"

THE PHANTOM
MUST TRY TO
SAVE EDWARD
COWDER EVEN
THOUGH HE KNOWS
IT WILL LEAVE HIM IN
REAL TROUBLE IN...

PAID IN FULL

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IN THIS TALE THE PHANTOM
CLASHES WITH THE MEDICINE MAN
OF THE BANDARI TRIBE. IT'S THE
FIRST OF MORE SPACTACULAR
CLASHES TO FOLLOW!
"THE RAIN STOPPER"

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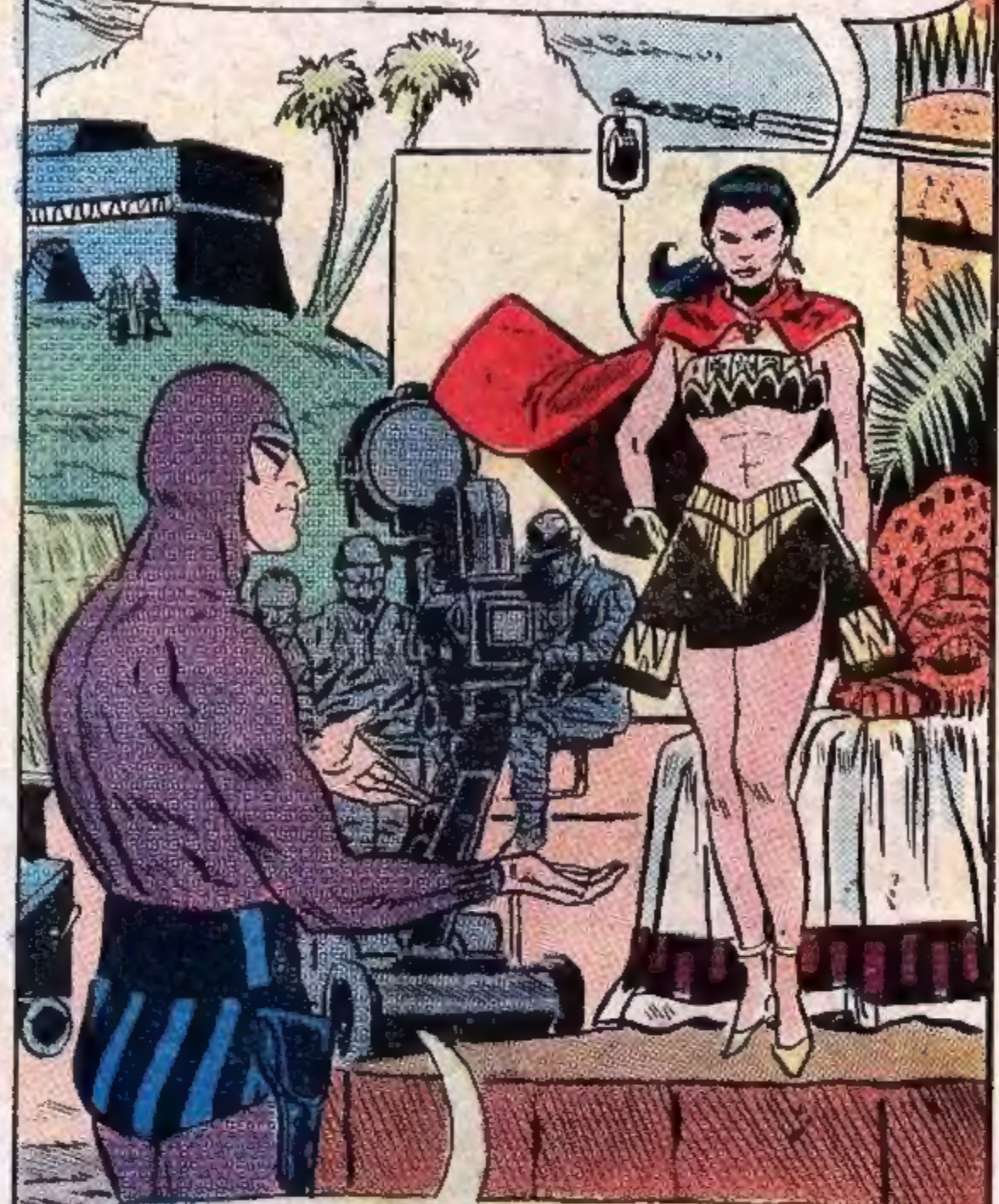
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IRIS BENTON WAS HAILED AS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN IN THE WORLD.. A LOVE GODDESS... AN IRRESISTIBLE WOMAN WHO HAD BROKEN THE HEART OF EVERY MAN SHE HAD EVER KNOWN! NOW, SHE WAS MEETING ANOTHER MAN... A STRANGE MASKED RULER OF HIS JUNGLE EMPIRE.. AND SHE VOWED TO HERSELF THAT SHE WOULD RULE HIS HEART TOO!



SO, YOU ARE THE 'GHOST-WHO-WALKS', AS I AM TOLD THE NATIVES CALL YOU! YOU SEEM PRETTY SUBSTANTIAL TO ME!



WELCOME TO BENGALI, MISS BENTON! YOU ARE AS BEAUTIFUL AS I HAVE HEARD!

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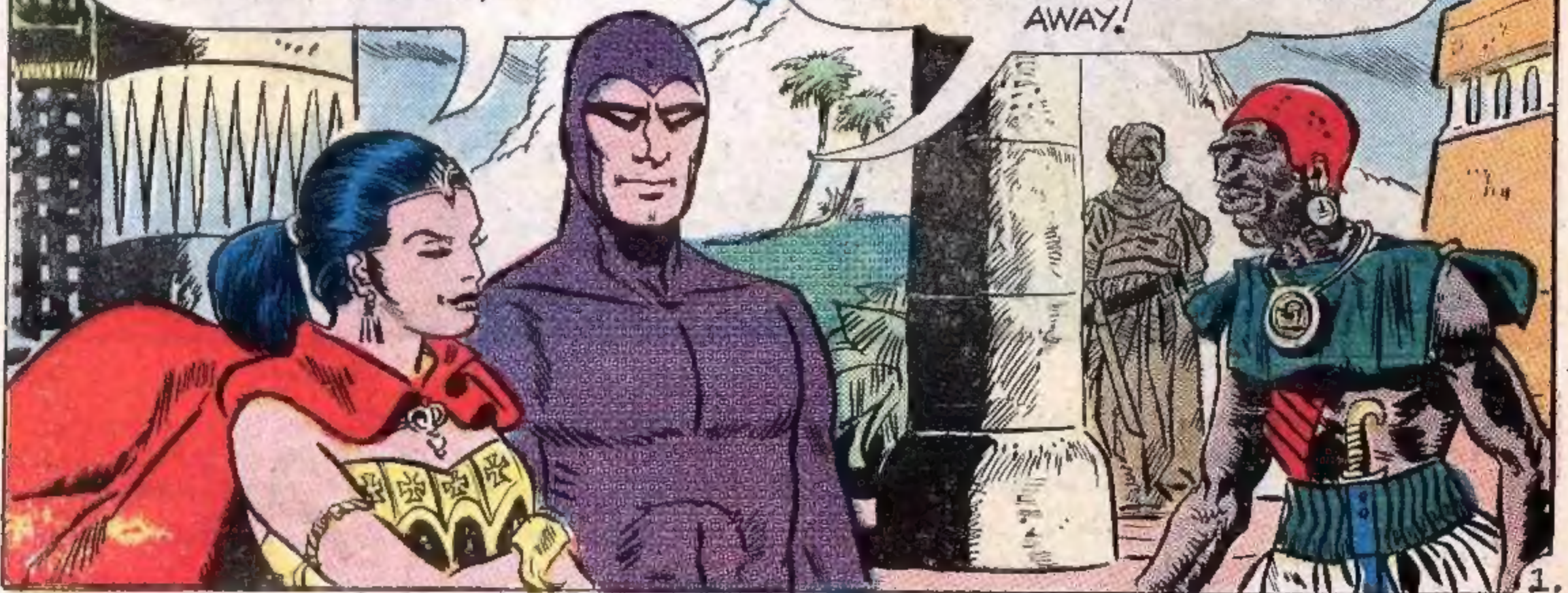
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TEST OF AN IDOL!

LET US STROLL IN THE GARDENS OF CUPID, PHANTOM.. ISN'T THIS TEMPLE BEAUTIFUL? IT IS DEDICATED TO LOVE, YOU KNOW!

I SUPERVISED RESTORING IT, MISS BENTON! IT WAS HIDDEN BY THICK JUNGLE GROWTH UNTIL WE CLEARED THE TREES AND VINES AWAY!



YOU'VE WATCHED US FILM
SEVERAL SCENES, PHANTOM!
DO YOU THINK I'M A GOOD
ACTRESS?

YOU'RE EXTREMELY TALENTED,
MISS BENTON!



DID I DO THE LOVE
SCENES WELL? DID
I SEEM TO BE THE
KIND OF WOMAN WITH
WHOM YOU MIGHT FALL
IN LOVE?

I...I...I HAVE
MANY DUTIES
TO PERFORM
... GOOD DAY,
MISS BENTON!

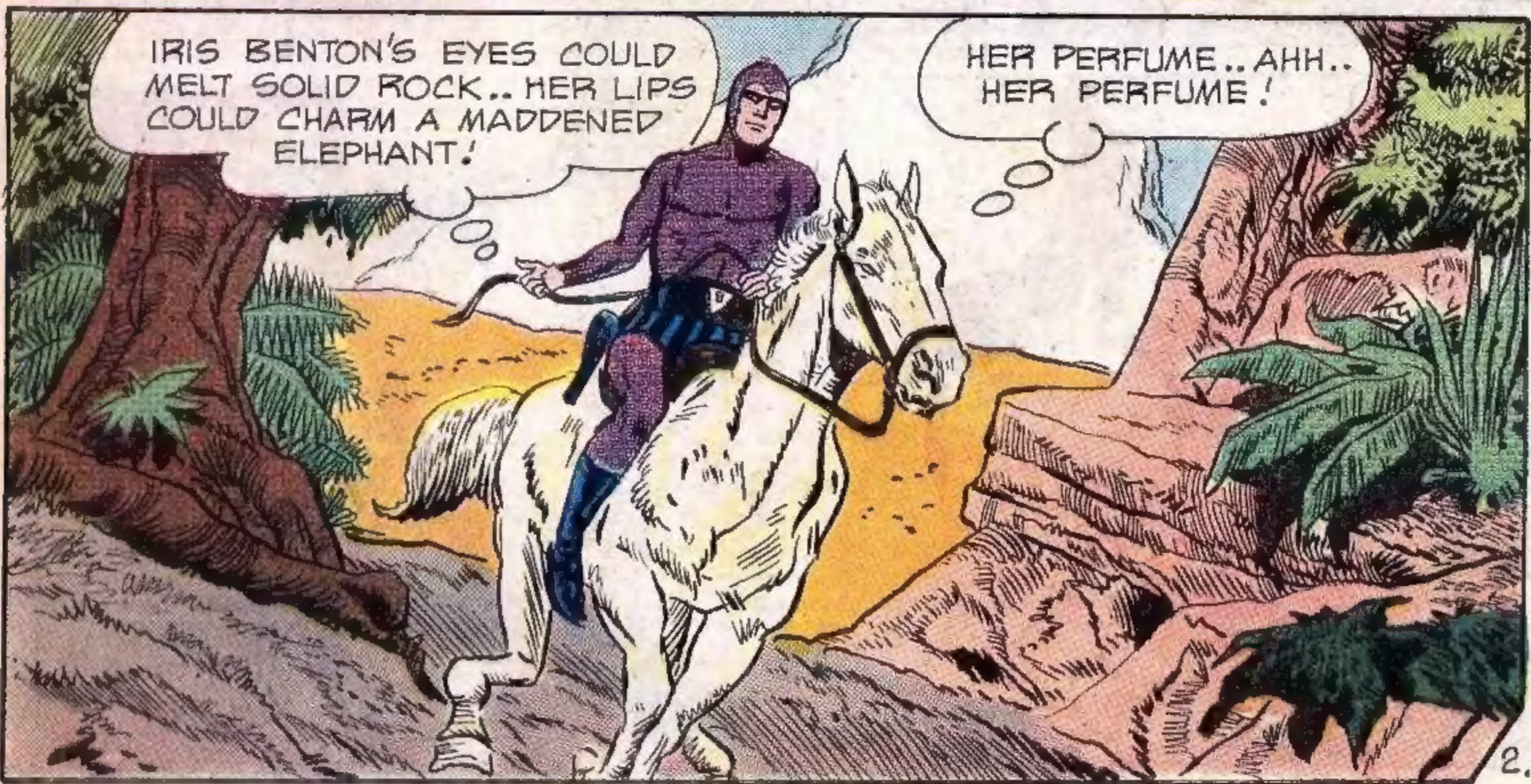


YOU'LL BE BACK, PHANTOM
..AND YOU'LL ANSWER MY
QUESTION!

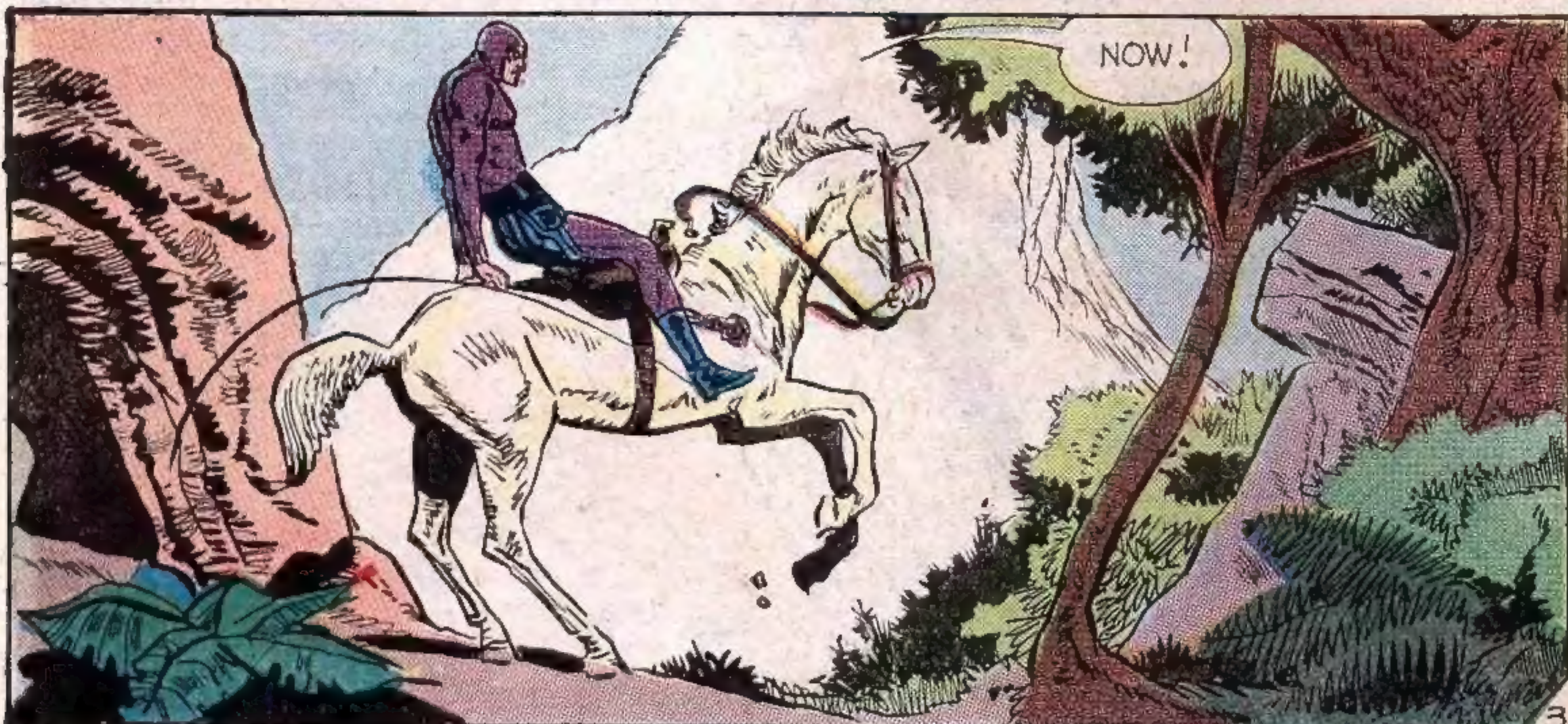


IRIS BENTON'S EYES COULD
MELT SOLID ROCK.. HER LIPS
COULD CHARM A MADDENED
ELEPHANT!

HER PERFUME.. AHH..
HER PERFUME!



RESOLUTELY PUTTING IRIS BENTON FROM HIS MIND - THE PHANTOM WENT ABOUT HIS SOMETIMES PERILOUS BUSINESS...





HELLO, MISS BENTON!



YOU POOR DEAR! YOU DIDN'T KNOW I HAD YOU WRITTEN INTO OUR MOVIE, DID YOU?



DO I SUCCUMB TO YOUR CHARMS, MISS BENTON?



I THINK YOU'D BETTER LET AN ACTOR HANDLE MY ROLE, MISS BENTON ..I'VE GOT NO TIME FOR SUCH TRIVIA!



IRIS WILL SHARPEN HER TEETH AND CLAWS AND TRY AGAIN!



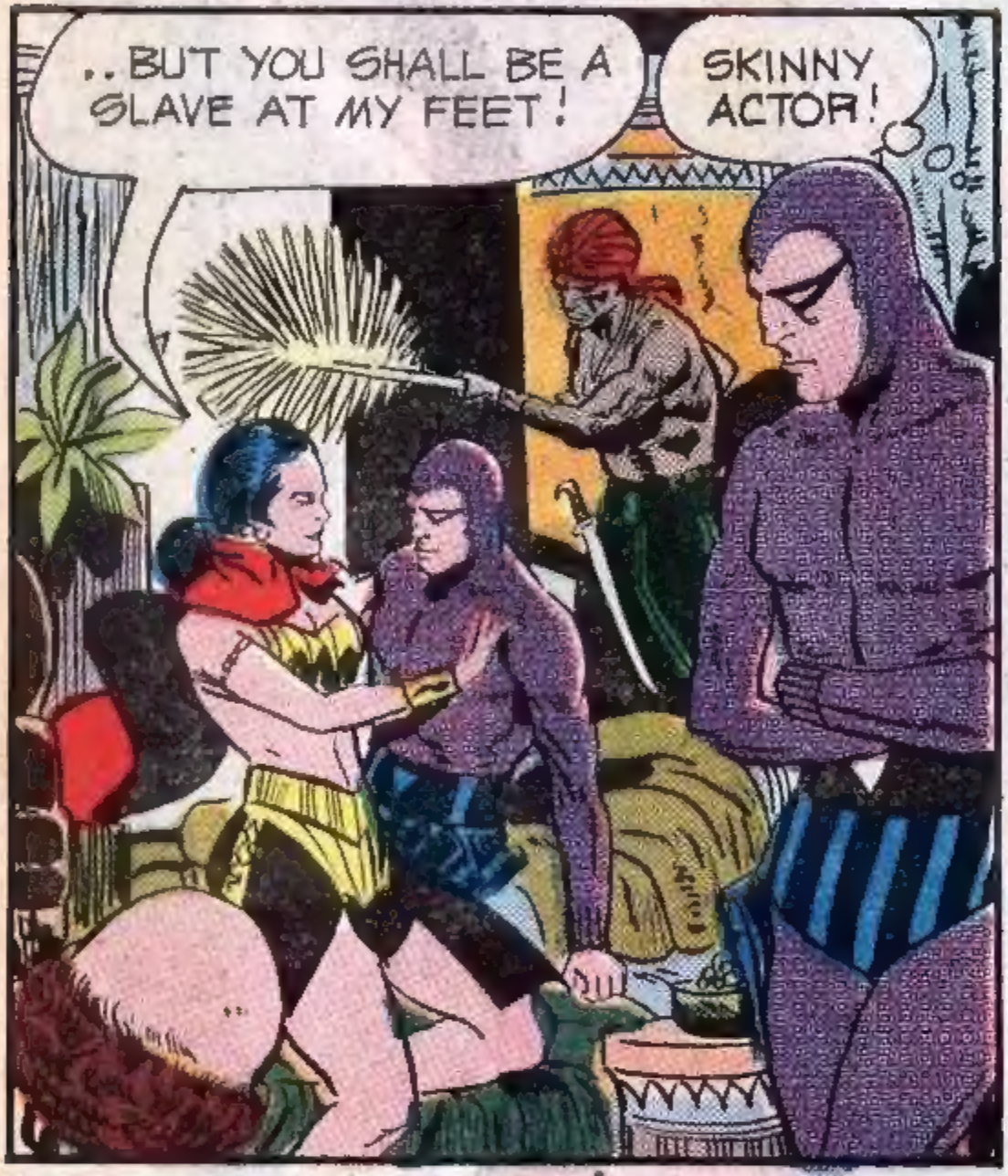
LINGERING NEAR THE MOVIE CREW, THE PHANTOM HAD THE RARE PRIVILEGE OF WATCHING HIMSELF BEING WOODED BY A LOVELY WOMAN!

YOU RULE THE CREATURES OF THE JUNGLE, PHANTOM...

PERHAPS I SHOULD'VE ACTED MY OWN ROLE!

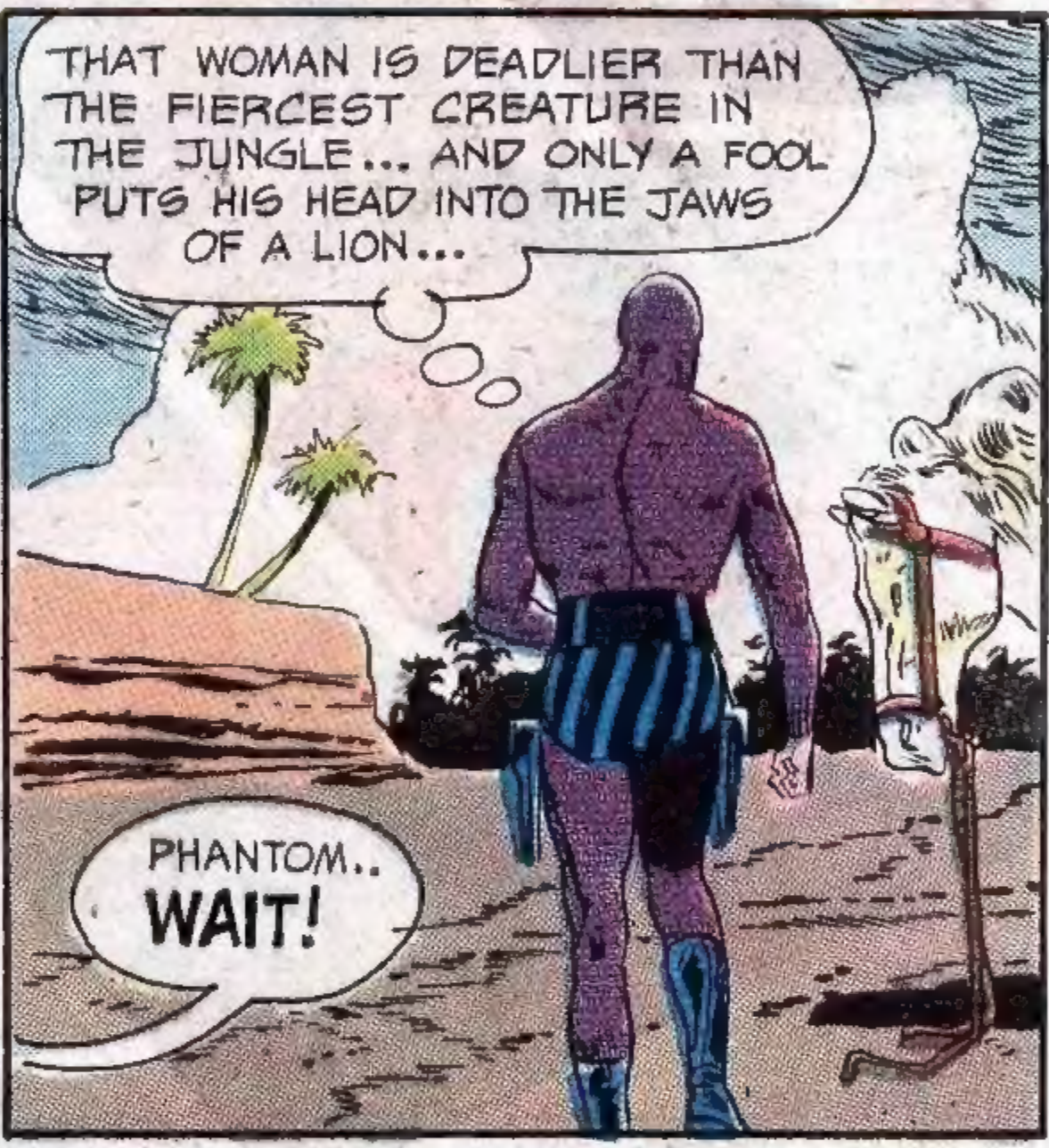
CORN, CORN, CORN.

YES.. BEAUTIFUL MAIDEN!



..BUT YOU SHALL BE A SLAVE AT MY FEET!

SKINNY ACTOR!



THAT WOMAN IS DEADLIER THAN THE FIERCEST CREATURE IN THE JUNGLE... AND ONLY A FOOL PUTS HIS HEAD INTO THE JAWS OF A LION...

PHANTOM.. WAIT!

TURNING HERO DEEP INTO THE TRACKLESS JUNGLE, PHANTOM WELCOMED THE DANGERS AWAITING HIM THERE.. BUT THE WOMAN WAS IGNORANT OF THE PERIL INTO WHICH SHE RODE!



PHANTOM.. PHANTOM, WAIT FOR ME!

IRIS WAS NOT PREPARED
FOR THE DENSE BENGALI
JUNGLE AND....

IRIS WAS
AT THE
MERCY OF
THE JUNGLE
PREDATORS...
AND SOMETHING
WAS COMING!

WHERE
WERE YOU,
PHANTOM, WHEN
THE DREADED
GORILLA CARRIED
IRIS BENTON DEEP INTO
THE TANGLED BRUSH TUNNEL
LEADING TO THEIR LAIR!

WHEN IRIS BENTON REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS! SHE SAW THE MOST HIDEOUS FACE ANY WOMAN EVER GLIMPSED...



TERRIFIED, IRIS BENTON SAW THE PHANTOM ADVANCE TOWARD THE GORILLAS.. LUCKILY, SHE WAS FORGOTTEN! WHAT COULD STOP THE BEASTS?



DARLING, YOU'RE THE BRAVEST MAN I'VE EVER KNOWN! HOLD ME CLOSER...



LATER, AFTER IRIS HAD BEEN RETURNED TO HER PEOPLE, THE PHANTOM SMILED BRIEFLY WHEN SHE THANKED HIM AND RODE AWAY...



THE END

Phantom

PAID IN FULL



IN THE LAND OF THE BANDAR, HERE IN SKULL CAVE, THE PHANTOM RULES OVER A VAST JUNGLED LAND JUST AS A MAN LIKE HIM HAS RULED HERE FOR 400 YEARS! HERE REPOSES 'THE BOOK' CHRONICLING EVERY DEED THE PHANTOM HAS ACCOMPLISHED! AND HERE IS WHERE THE ENGLISHMAN CONFRONTS THE PHANTOM AND DEMANDS £1,000,000 RIGHT NOW IN HARD CASH...OR ELSE!

YOU ARE EDWARD COWPER SMYTHE AND YOU DEMAND £1,000,000? I DON'T OWE YOU OR ANY MAN A SHILLING, MR. SMYTHE!

CORRECT ME IF I ERR, ER.. PHANTOM! YOU ARE THE PRESENT INCUMBENT IN A LONG LINE OF GENTLEMEN OF YOUR APPEARANCE CHARGED WITH MAINTAINING JUSTICE IN THE JUNGLES OF BENGALI. CORRECT?

THIS SO-CALLED 'SACRED BOOK' IS A RECORD OF THE DEEDS ..OR MISDEEDS OF THE PHANTOM FOR THE PAST 400 YEARS. CORRECT?

...TREAD CAREFULLY, SMYTHE... YOU'RE ON DANGEROUS GROUND!

IT IS HISTORY, PHANTOM, THAT IN OCTOBER 1653, 317 YEARS AGO, A PHANTOM DEFRAUDED THE FAMILY FIRM OF £970!



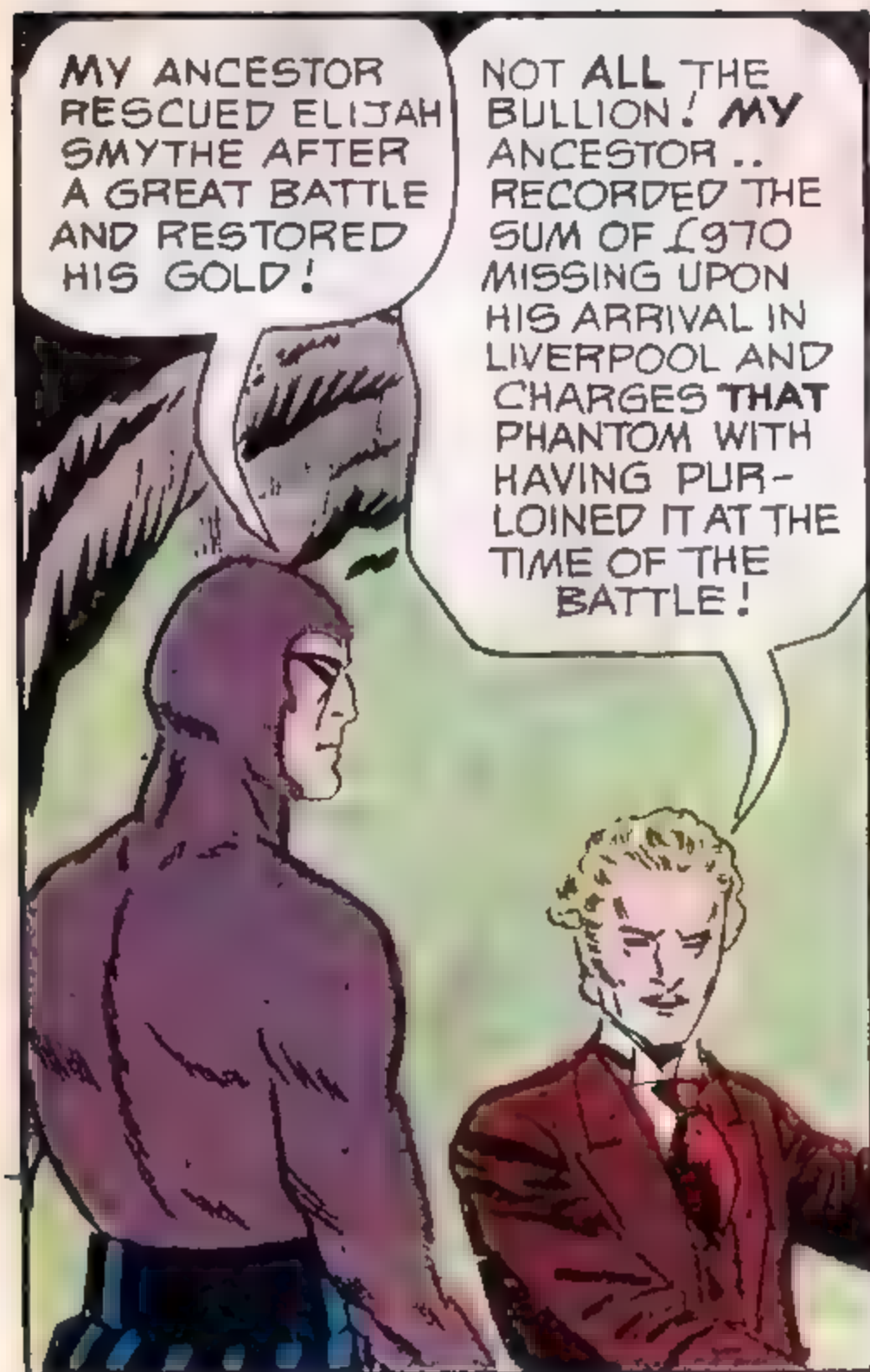
YOU LIE! NO PHANTOM
EVER DEFRAUDED
ANY MAN!

YOUR OWN RECORDS, UNLESS THEY
HAVE BEEN FALSIFIED, WILL BEAR ME
OUT, SIR!



SO... BACK THROUGH
THE ANCIENT PAGES
... BACK PAST THE
GREAT FAMINE OF
1844, BACK PAST
THE WAR WITH THE
ARAB SLAVERS IN
1802, BACK THROUGH
THE 17TH CENTURY
UNTIL... HERE OCT.
1653!

THIS IS IT, SEE! ELIJAH COWPER
SMYTHE OF LONDON TRANSPORTING
£100,000 IN GOLD BULLION THROUGH
THE BENGALI JUNGLES WAS SET
UPON BY ARMED GUERRILLAS!



MY ANCESTOR
RESCUED ELIJAH
SMYTHE AFTER
A GREAT BATTLE
AND RESTORED
HIS GOLD!

NOT ALL THE
BULLION! MY
ANCESTOR...
RECORDED THE
SUM OF £970
MISSING UPON
HIS ARRIVAL IN
LIVERPOOL AND
CHARGES THAT
PHANTOM WITH
HAVING PUR-
LOINED IT AT THE
TIME OF THE
BATTLE!

THE CHARGE HAS BEEN MADE! THE ARCHIVES
CONSULTED! NOW, THE PHANTOM MUST MAKE A
DECISION...



I MUST INSIST UPON
PROMPT PAYMENT, PHANTOM!
THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL
INTEREST CHARGES WITH
EACH PASSING DAY....!!

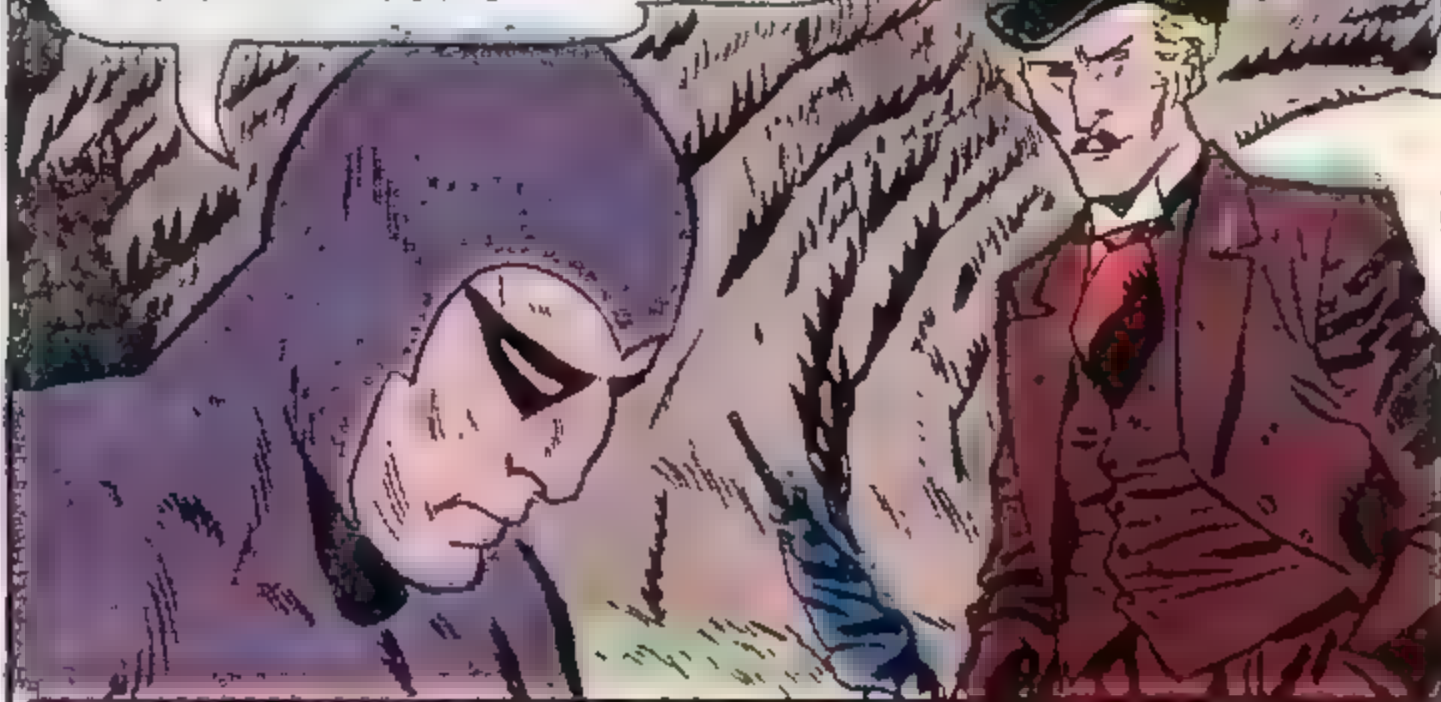
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HIS CLAIM IS AN HONEST ONE! IF I DENY HIM JUSTICE, THE HONOR OF THE PHANTOM, PRESERVED FOR 400 YEARS WILL BE SHATTERED!



YET... I CANNOT PAY!

BEFORE YOUR CLAIM MAY BE SETTLED, EDWARD COWPER SMYTHE, I WILL TAKE YOU TO THE SCENE OF THE CRIME YOU ALLEGE WAS COMMITTED BY MY ANCESTOR!



VERY WELL, MR. PHANTOM!

BUT THERE IS ONE THING... YOUR LAND ROVER CAN'T MAKE IT IN THE BACK COUNTRY AND MY HORSE WON'T CARRY US BOTH!

YOU.. YOU MEAN WE WALK?



SO..THE PHANTOM LEADS THE WAY INTO THE DARK JUNGLE OF BENGALI! THE LONDON BANKER HAD A DIFFICULT TIME KEEPING PACE...



HAVE CARE..THE JUNGLES OF BEN-GALI ARE ALIVE WITH PREDATORS!



LOOK OUT, SMYTHE!



THE THUNDER OF THE PHANTOM'S GUN ECHOES THROUGH THE JUNGLE..AS THE BLACK PYTHON BECOMES STILL..

UGGHHH!

GOOD HEAVENS..I..
I AM MOST GRATEFUL,
MR. PHANTOM!

AS SAID BEFORE
BY ONE ELIJAH
COWPER SMYTHE,
TO A PHANTOM
HERE 317 YEARS
AGO!

YOU KILLED THAT
SPLENDID REPTILE
FOR MY SAKE, MR.
PHANTOM!

NO..I EMPLOY
MEDICATED
PELLETS ON SUCH
OCCASIONS!

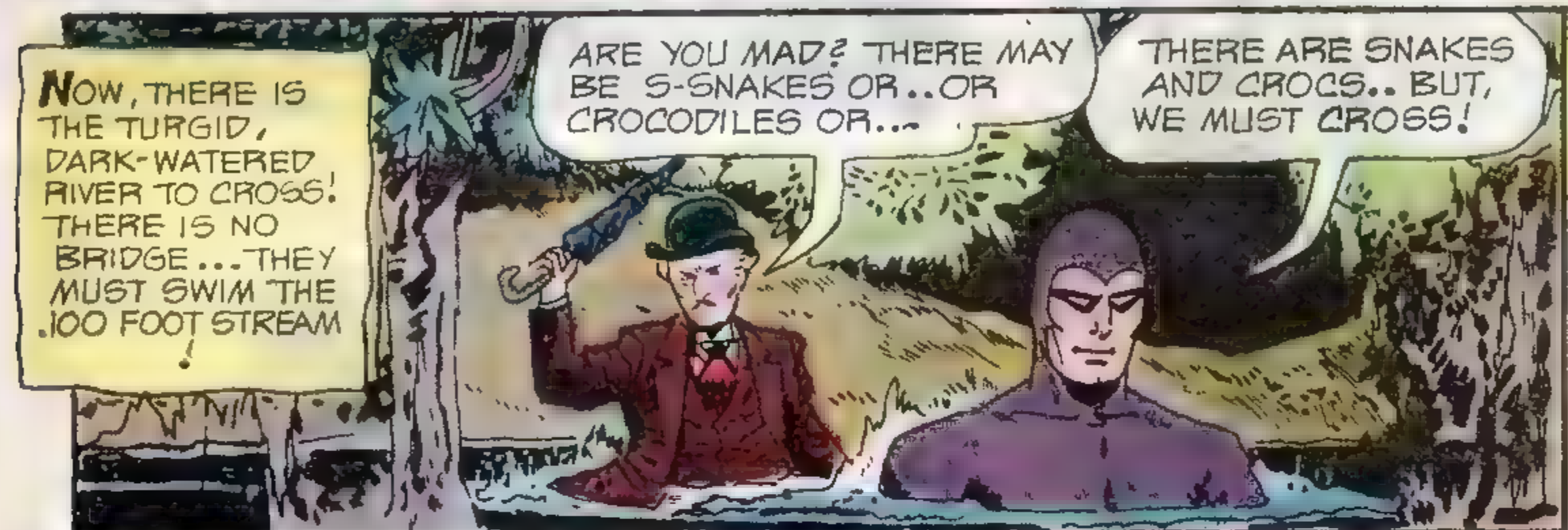
WHY ARE WE
STOPPED HERE?

YOUR ANCESTOR UNWISELY MADE CAMP
HERE! IT IS A DISEASE-RIDDEN SPOT
..MOST OF HIS PARTY BECAME ILL
AND DIED FOR LACK OF MEDICAL
FACILITIES!



THIS PEST-HOLE SHOULD HAVE A HOSPITAL, PHANTOM! WHAT KIND OF ADMINISTRATOR HAVE YOU BEEN NOT TO PROVIDE ONE?

WE DO OUR BEST, SMYTHE!



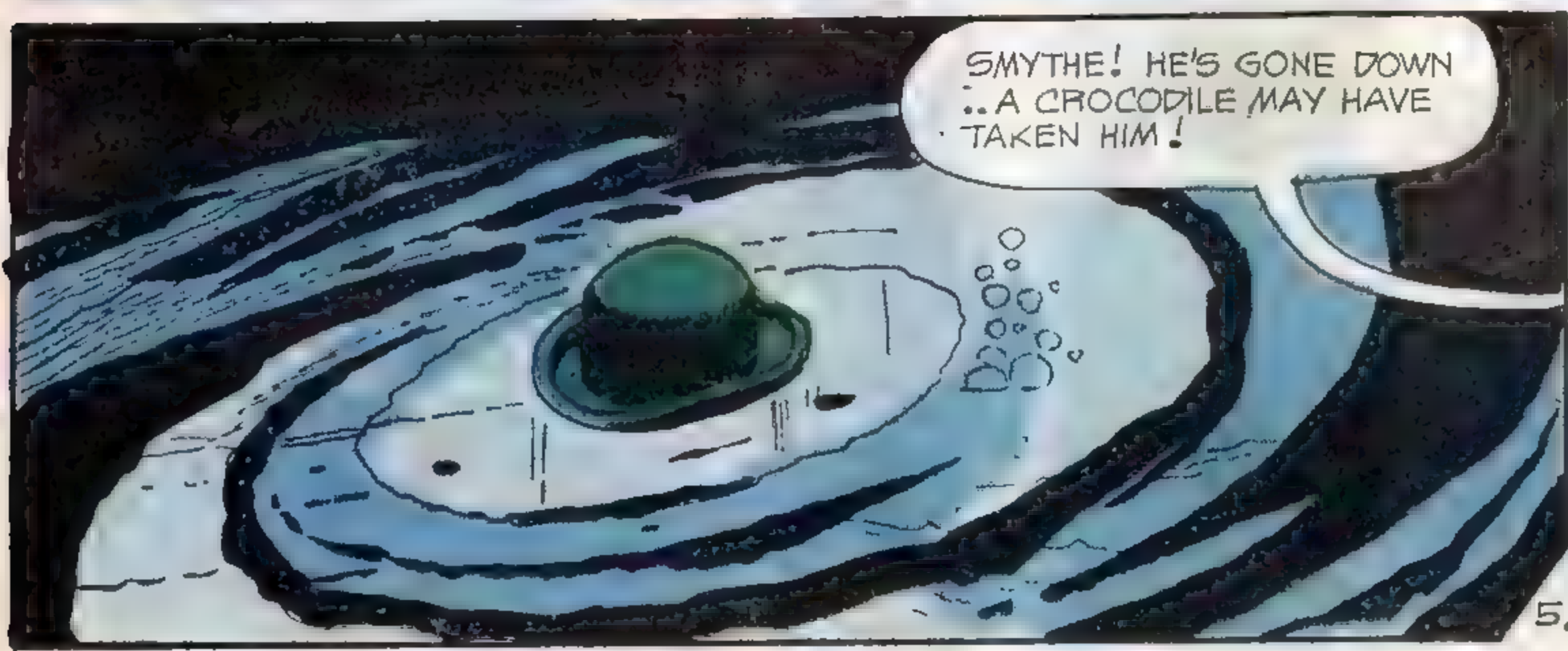
NOW, THERE IS THE TURGID, DARK-WATERED RIVER TO CROSS! THERE IS NO BRIDGE... THEY MUST SWIM THE 100 FOOT STREAM!

ARE YOU MAD? THERE MAY BE S-SNAKES OR...OR CROCODILES OR...

THERE ARE SNAKES AND CROCS.. BUT, WE MUST CROSS!



WAIT, PHANTOM!

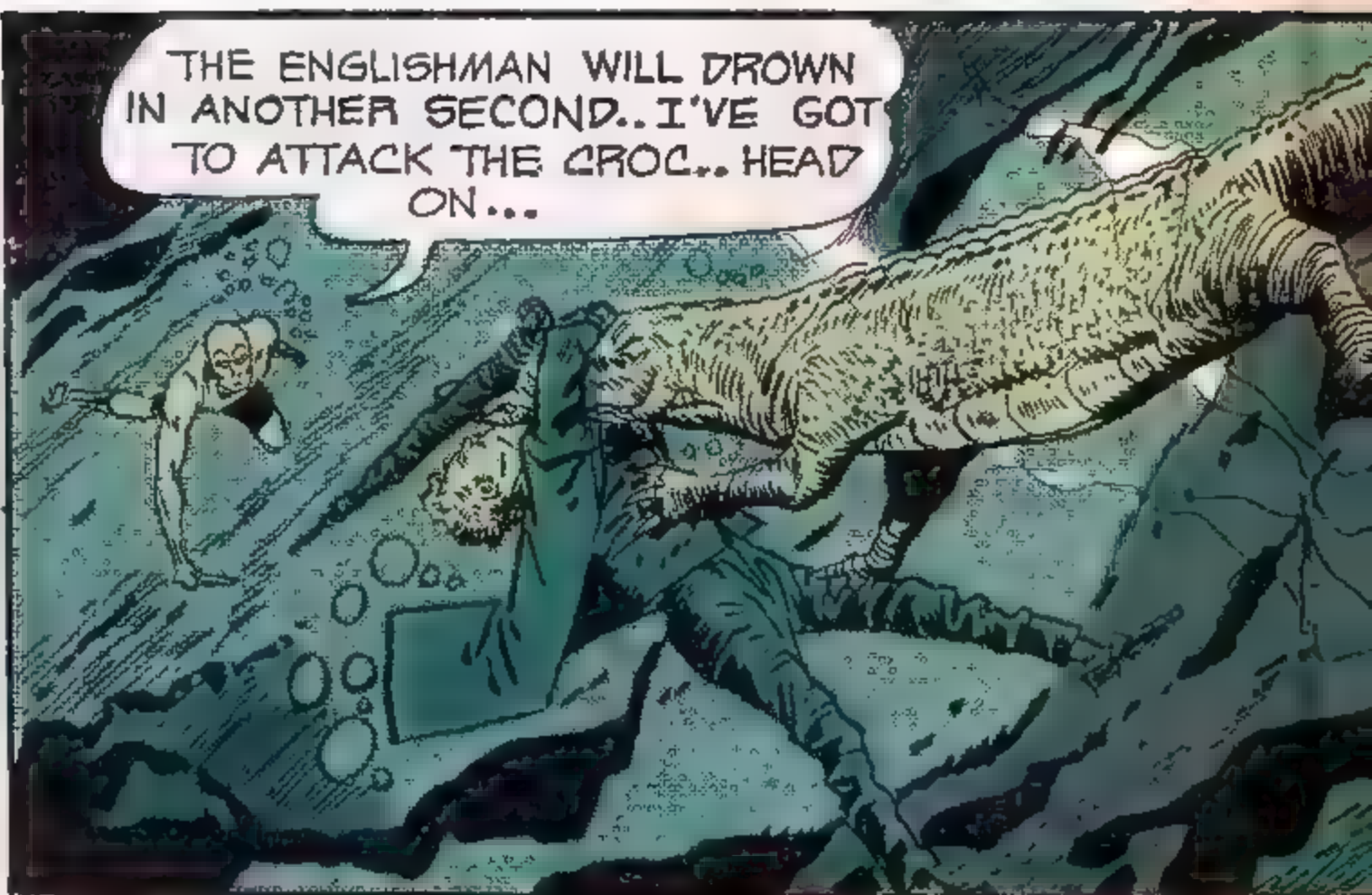


SMYTHE! HE'S GONE DOWN... A CROCODILE MAY HAVE TAKEN HIM!

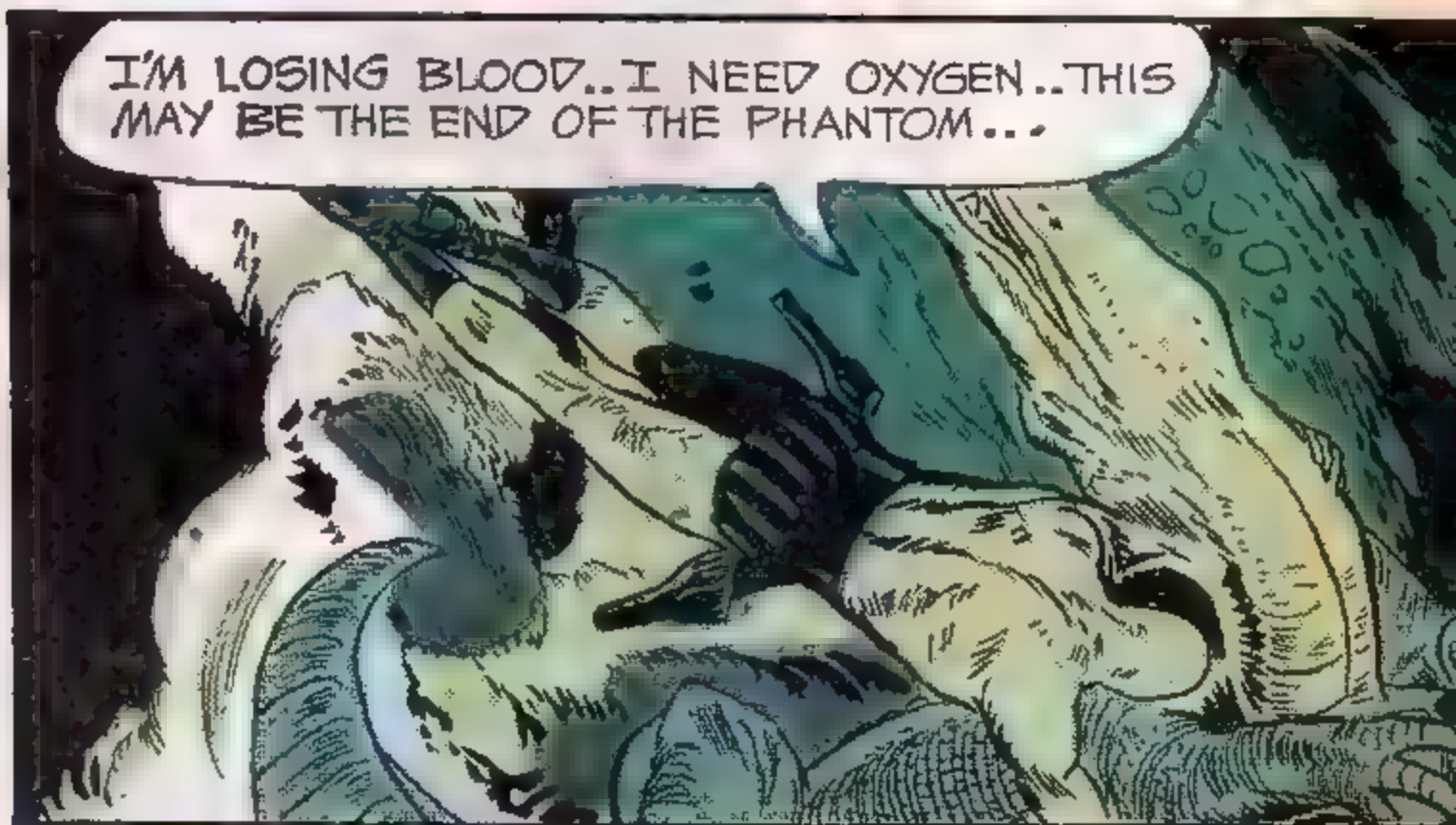
THE PHANTOM DIVES
DEEP INTO THE MURKY
WATERS....



THE ENGLISHMAN WILL DROWN
IN ANOTHER SECOND..I'VE GOT
TO ATTACK THE CROC.. HEAD
ON...



I'M LOSING BLOOD..I NEED OXYGEN..THIS
MAY BE THE END OF THE PHANTOM...



TWO MEN, BADLY MAULED, LIE SIDE BY SIDE
IN THE JUNGLE MUCK..THEY WILL DIE IF...

IT IS THE PHANTOM AND A
STRANGER! PUT THEM ON
STRETCHERS! HURRY!



A
FEW
DAYS
LATER:



THE PHANTOM DIVES
DEEP INTO THE MURKY
WATERS....

THE ENGLISHMAN WILL DROWN
IN ANOTHER SECOND..I'VE GOT
TO ATTACK THE CROC.. HEAD
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I'VE SAVED HIM.. NOW I'M IN
TROUBLE !

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BUT THEN,
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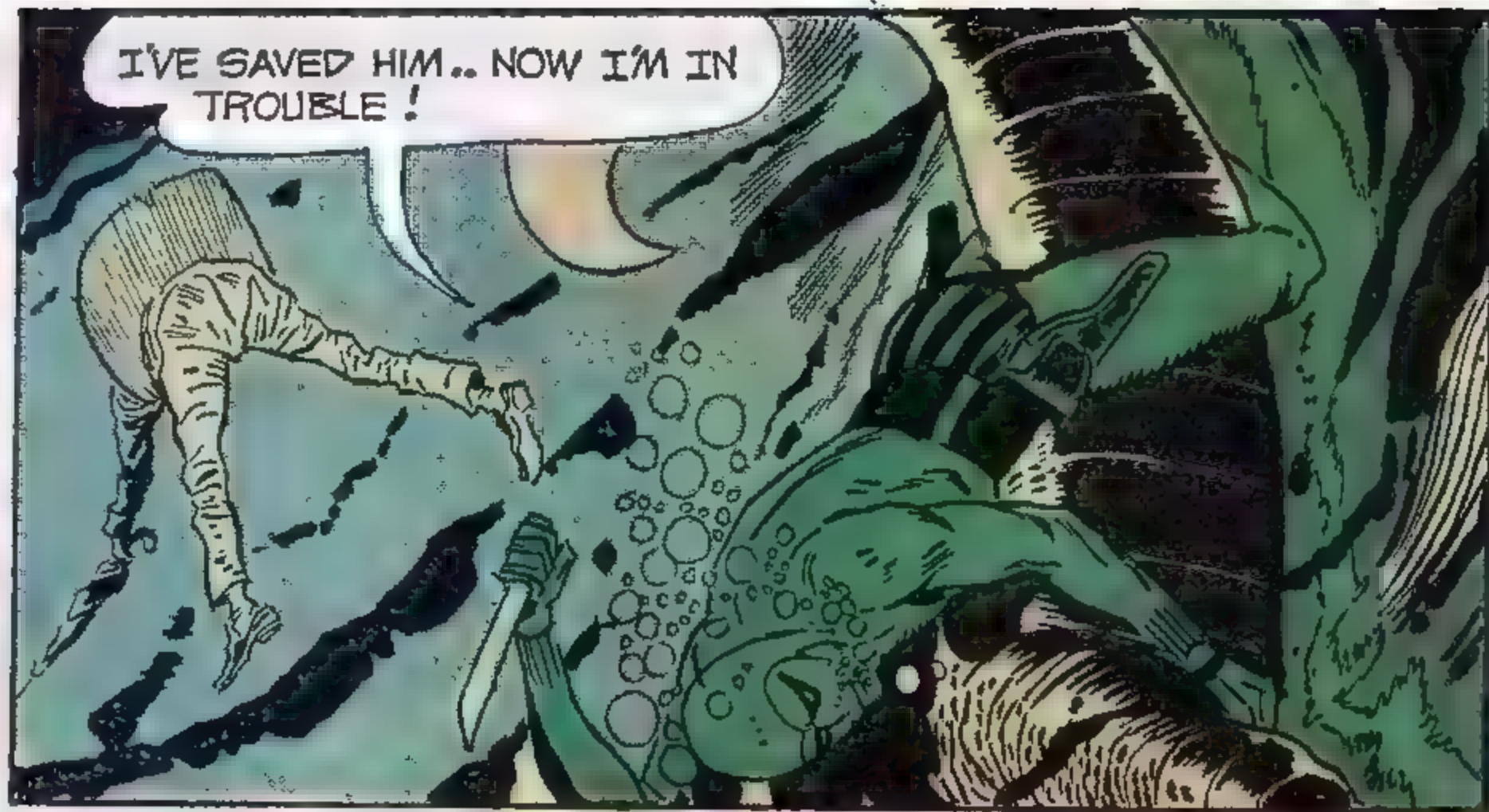
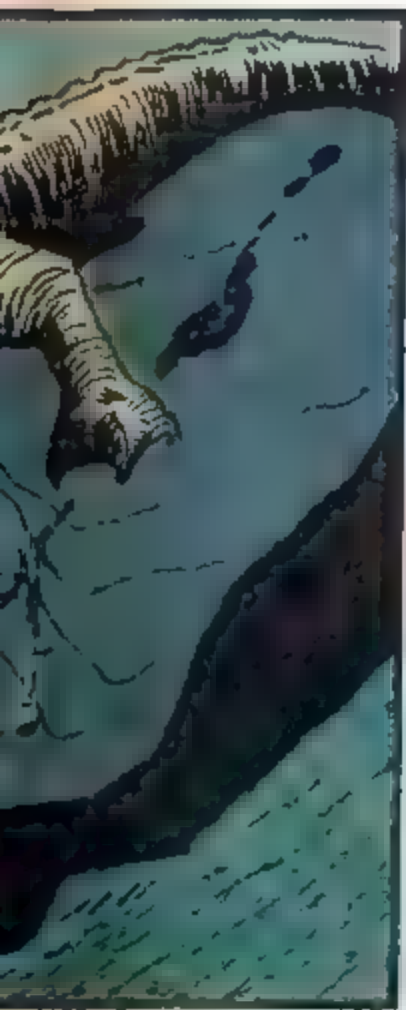
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HERE IS THE
£1,000,000
WHICH YOU
CAME IN
SEARCH OF,
SMYTHE!

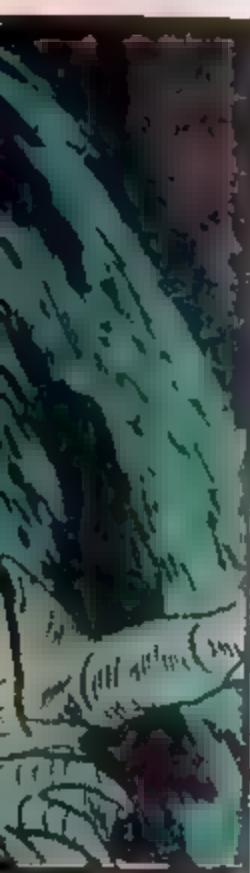
ELIJAH COWPER SMYTHE
WAS ILL HERE! THE
MOLEMI TRIBE DOCTORED
HIM AND GOLD THE PHANTOM
GAVE THEM FROM ELIJAH'S
HOARD BUILT THE FIRST
HOSPITAL ON THIS SPOT

IT WAS
MONEY WELL
GIVEN! THERE
IS NO DEBT!
AND I THANK
YOU FOR
MYSELF AND
MY FAMILY !

THE
END



I'VE SAVED HIM.. NOW I'M IN TROUBLE !



BUT THEN, FINDING RESERVE STRENGTH, THE PHANTOM PLUNGES HIS KNIFE DEEP INTO THE SAURIAN'S HEART!



THIS IS INCREDIBLE, A MODERN HOSPITAL IN THE DEPTHS OF THE JUNGLE ! IT SAVED MY LIFE, IT MUST SAVE MANY OTHERS!

HERE IS THE £1,000,000 WHICH YOU CAME IN SEARCH OF, SMYTHE!

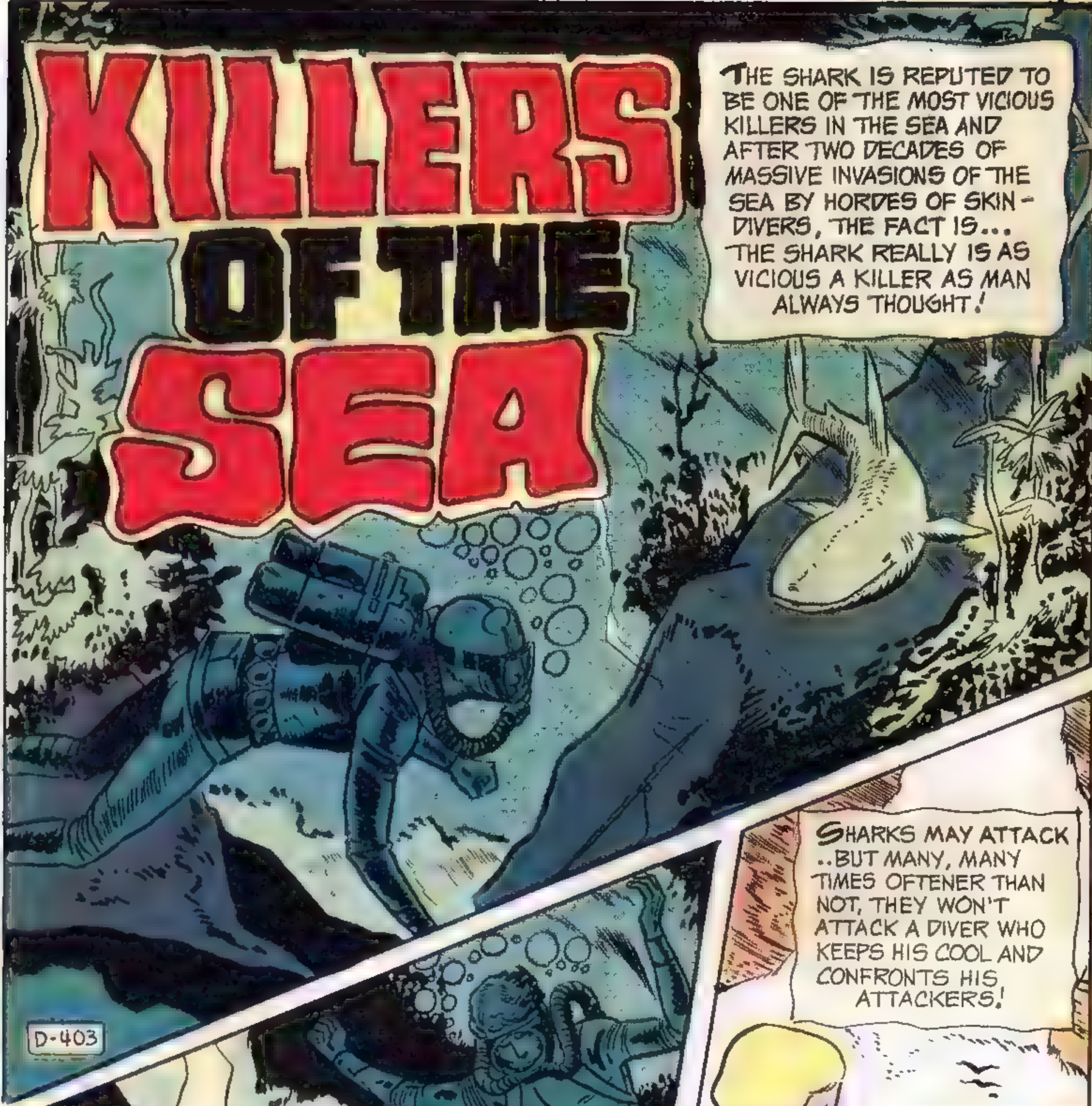


ELIJAH COWPER SMYTHE WAS ILL HERE! THE MOLEMI TRIBE DOCTORED HIM AND GAVE THE PHANTOM GOLD FROM ELIJAH'S HOARD BUILT THE FIRST HOSPITAL ON THIS SPOT

IT WAS MONEY WELL GIVEN! THERE IS NO DEBT! AND I THANK YOU FOR MYSELF AND MY FAMILY!

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KILLERS OF THE SEA

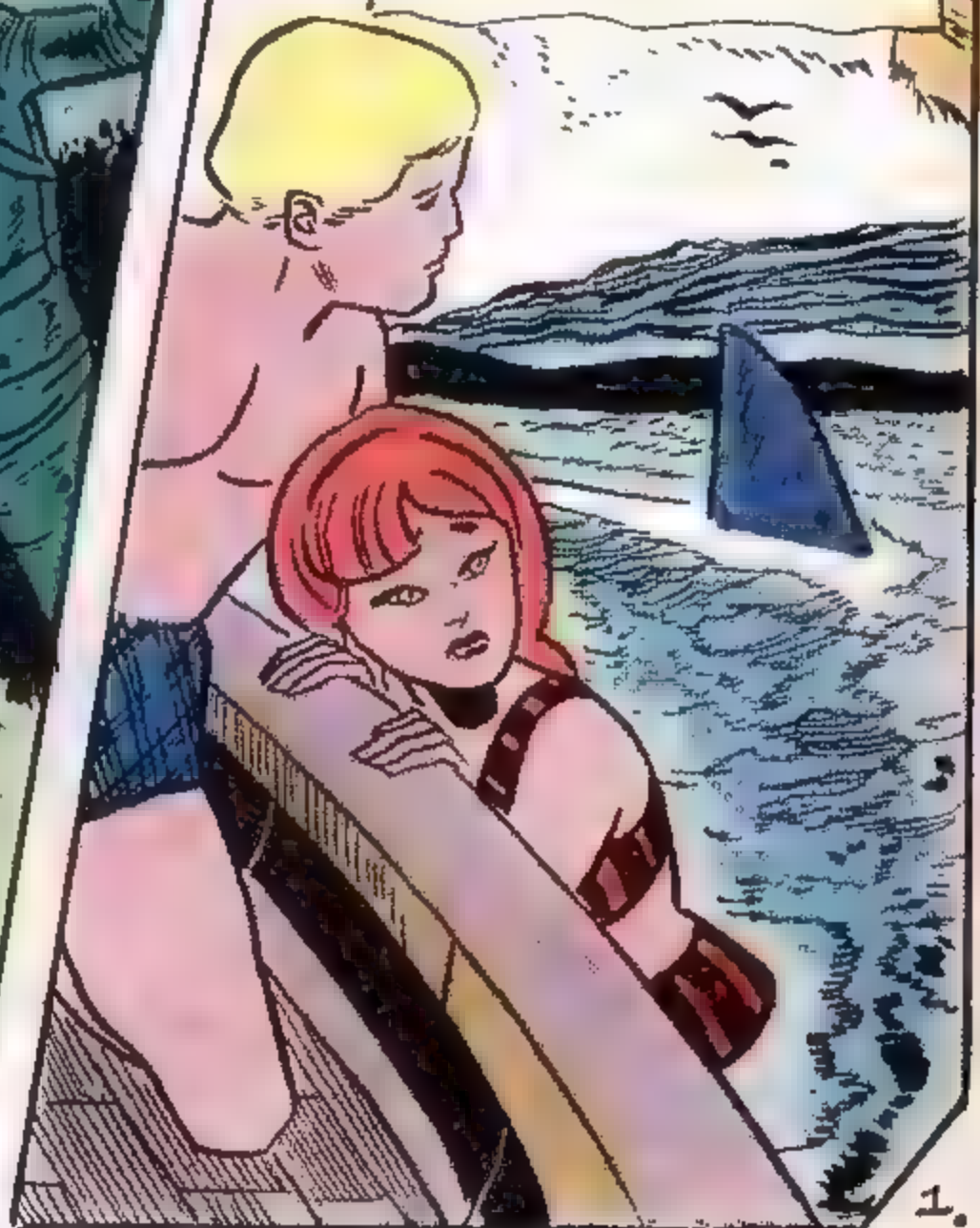


THE SHARK IS REPUTED TO BE ONE OF THE MOST VICIOUS KILLERS IN THE SEA AND AFTER TWO DECADES OF MASSIVE INVASIONS OF THE SEA BY HORDES OF SKIN-DIVERS, THE FACT IS... THE SHARK REALLY IS AS VICIOUS A KILLER AS MAN ALWAYS THOUGHT!

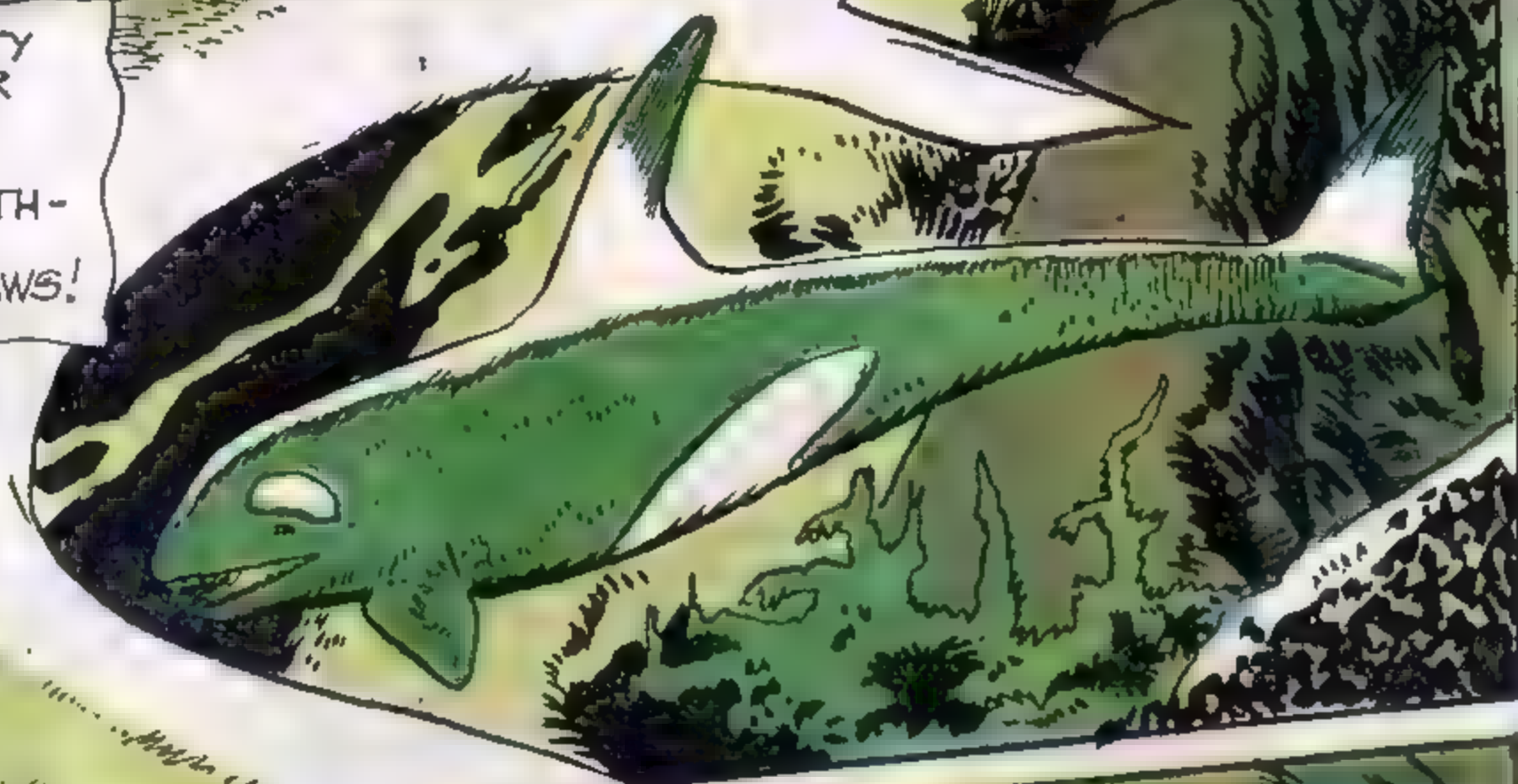
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SCUBA DIVERS HAVE LEARNED NOT TO FLEE FROM AN ONCOMING SHARK! THE SHARK IS FASTER AND PREFERS TO ATTACK ITS PREY FROM THE REAR! SO FACE THE SHARK... RAP HIM IF HE VENTURES TOO NEAR...

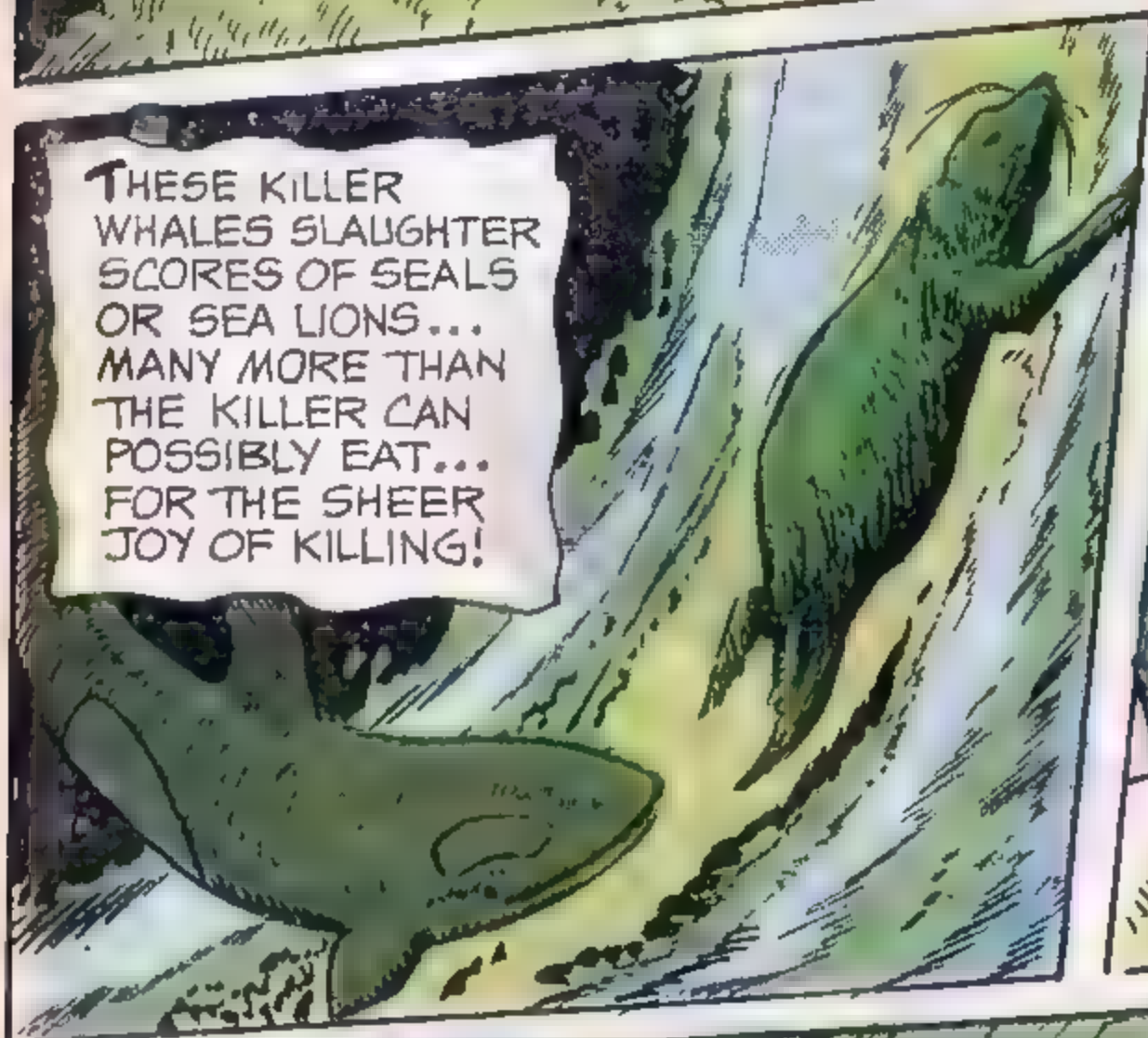
SHARKS MAY ATTACK ..BUT MANY, MANY TIMES OFTENER THAN NOT, THEY WON'T ATTACK A DIVER WHO KEEPS HIS COOL AND CONFRONTS HIS ATTACKERS!



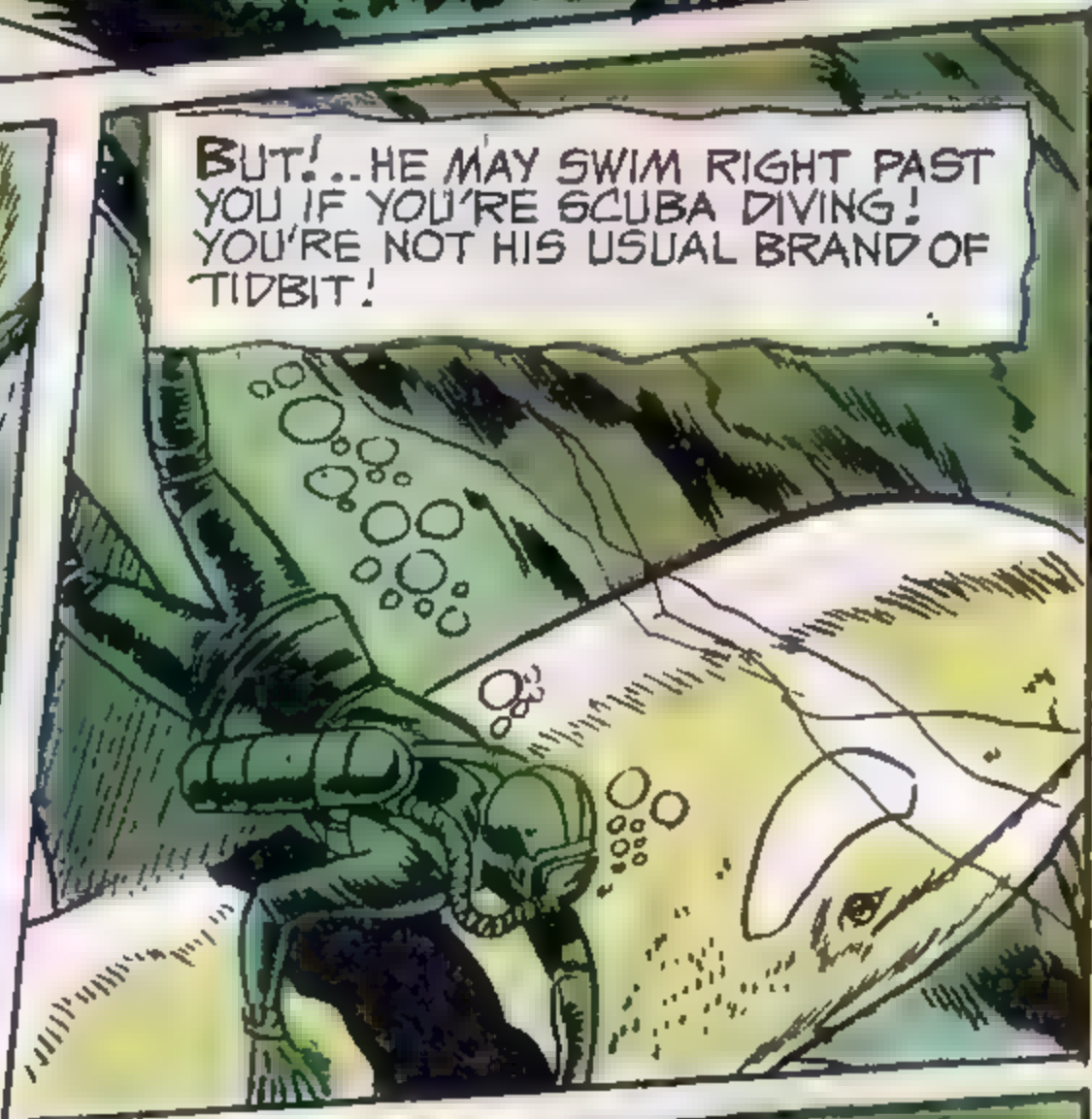
NEXT ON THE 'NASTY LIST' IS THE KILLER WHALE! THESE 30 FOOT KILLERS ARE MAMMALS AND NOTHING IS SAFE FROM THEIR AWESOME JAWS!



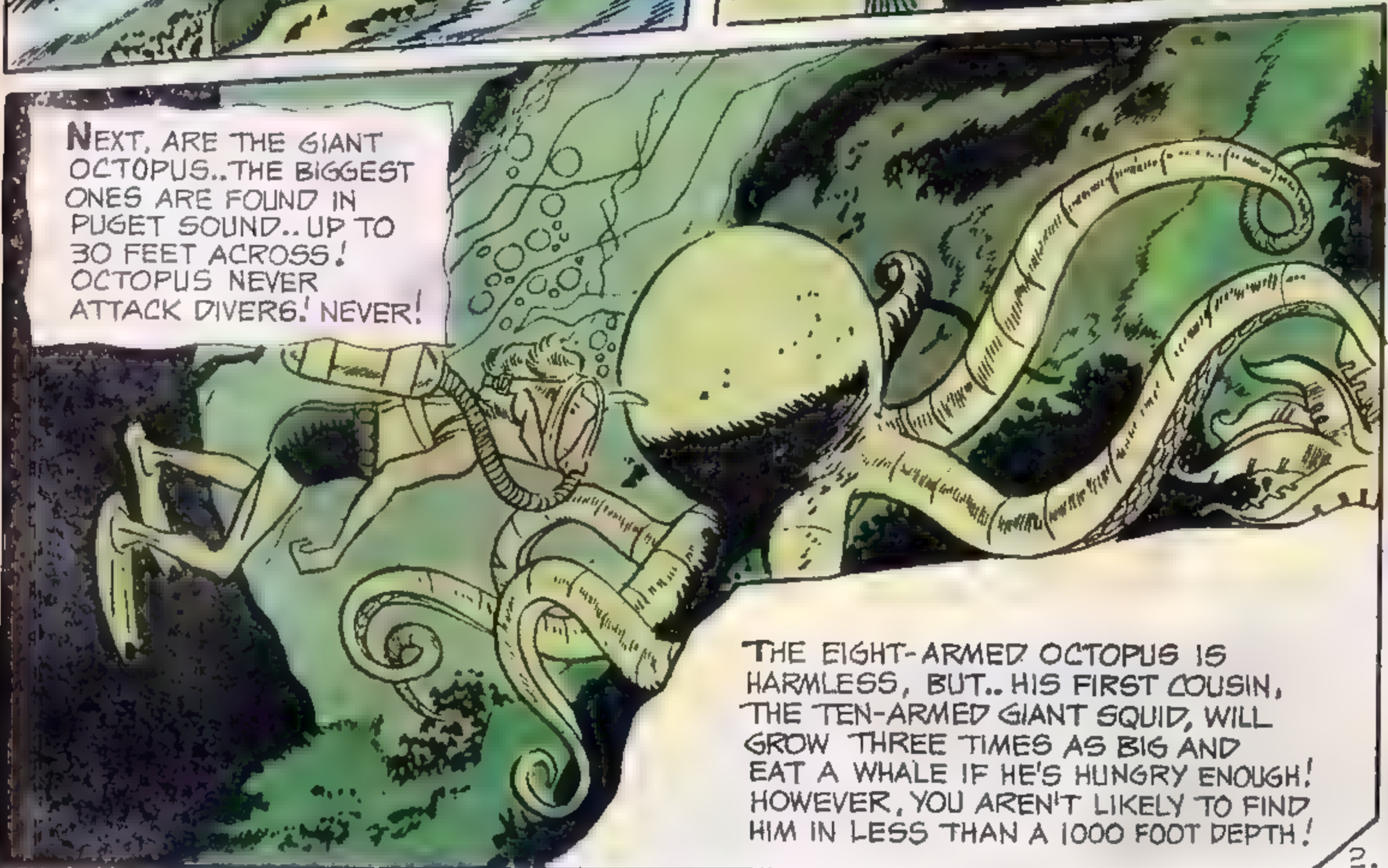
THESE KILLER WHALES SLAUGHTER SCORES OF SEALS OR SEA LIONS... MANY MORE THAN THE KILLER CAN POSSIBLY EAT... FOR THE SHEER JOY OF KILLING!



BUT!...HE MAY SWIM RIGHT PAST YOU IF YOU'RE SCUBA DIVING! YOU'RE NOT HIS USUAL BRAND OF TIDBIT!

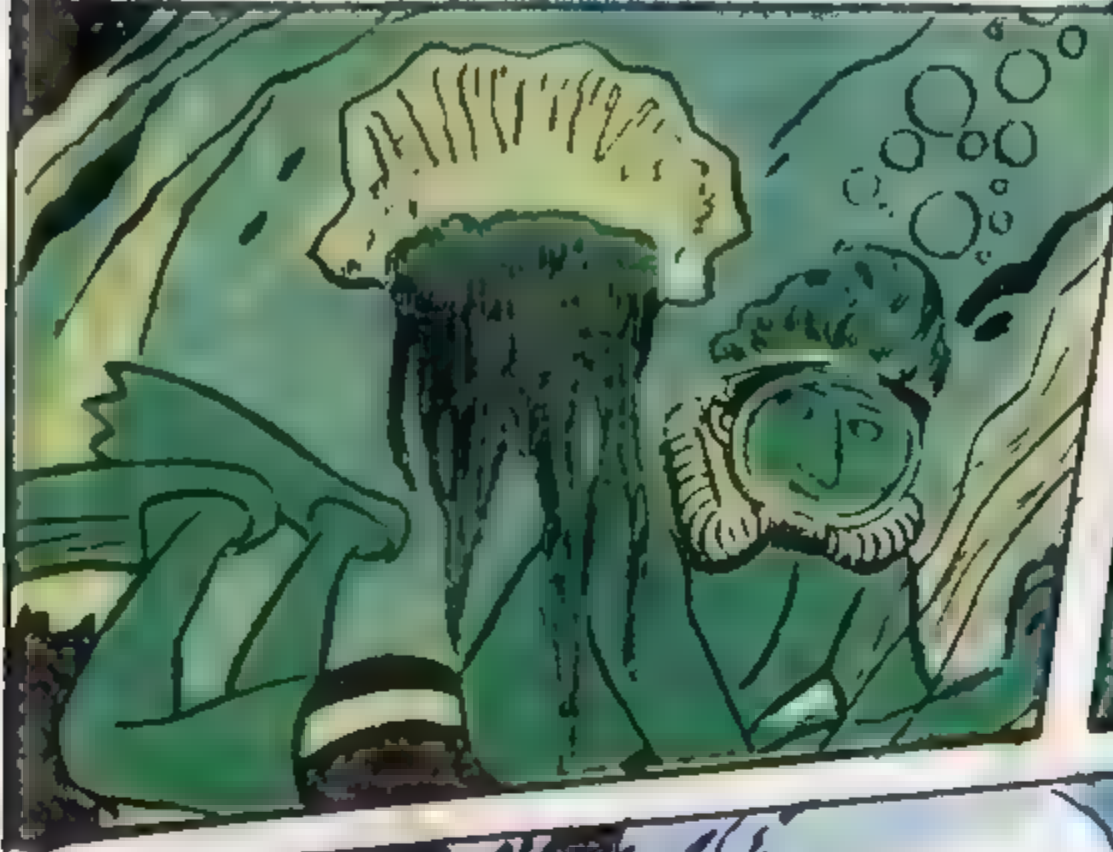


NEXT, ARE THE GIANT OCTOPUS..THE BIGGEST ONES ARE FOUND IN PUGET SOUND..UP TO 30 FEET ACROSS! OCTOPUS NEVER ATTACK DIVERS! NEVER!

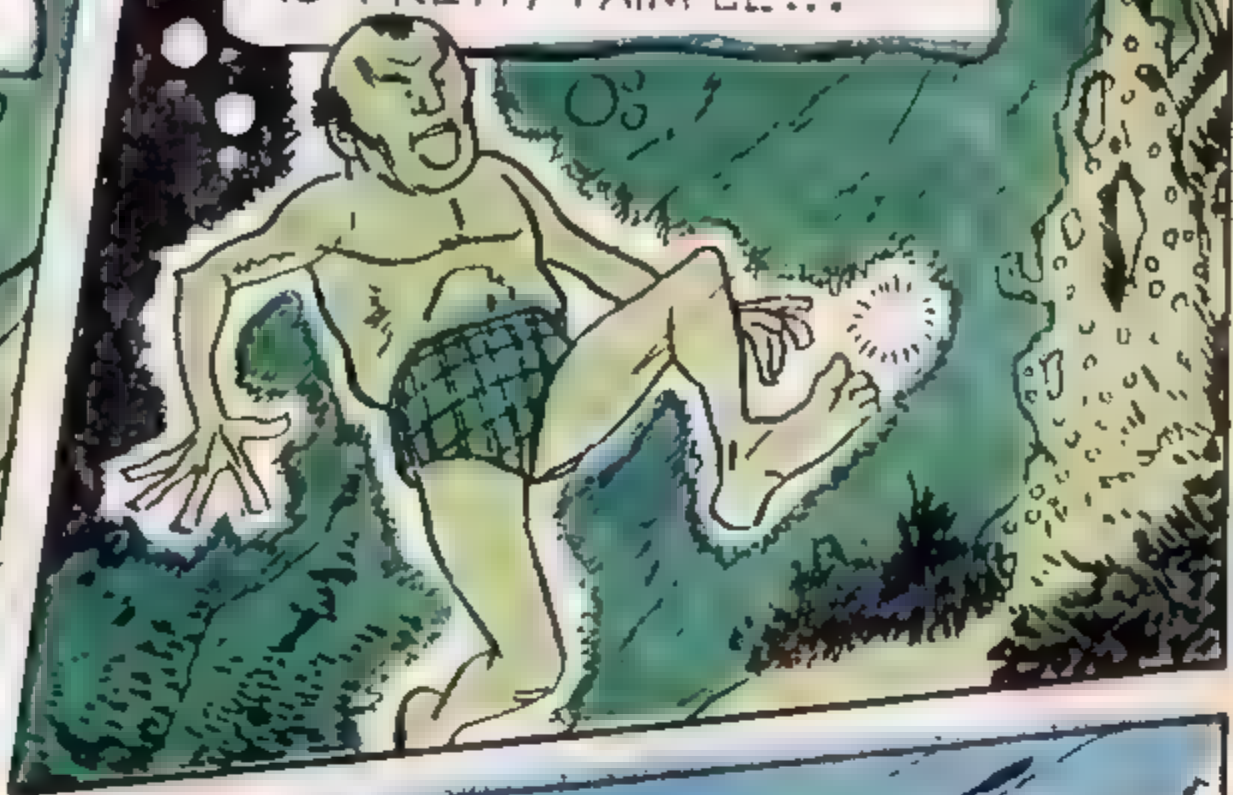


THE EIGHT-ARMED OCTOPUS IS HARMLESS, BUT.. HIS FIRST COUSIN, THE TEN-ARMED GIANT SQUID, WILL GROW THREE TIMES AS BIG AND EAT A WHALE IF HE'S HUNGRY ENOUGH! HOWEVER, YOU AREN'T LIKELY TO FIND HIM IN LESS THAN A 1000 FOOT DEPTH!

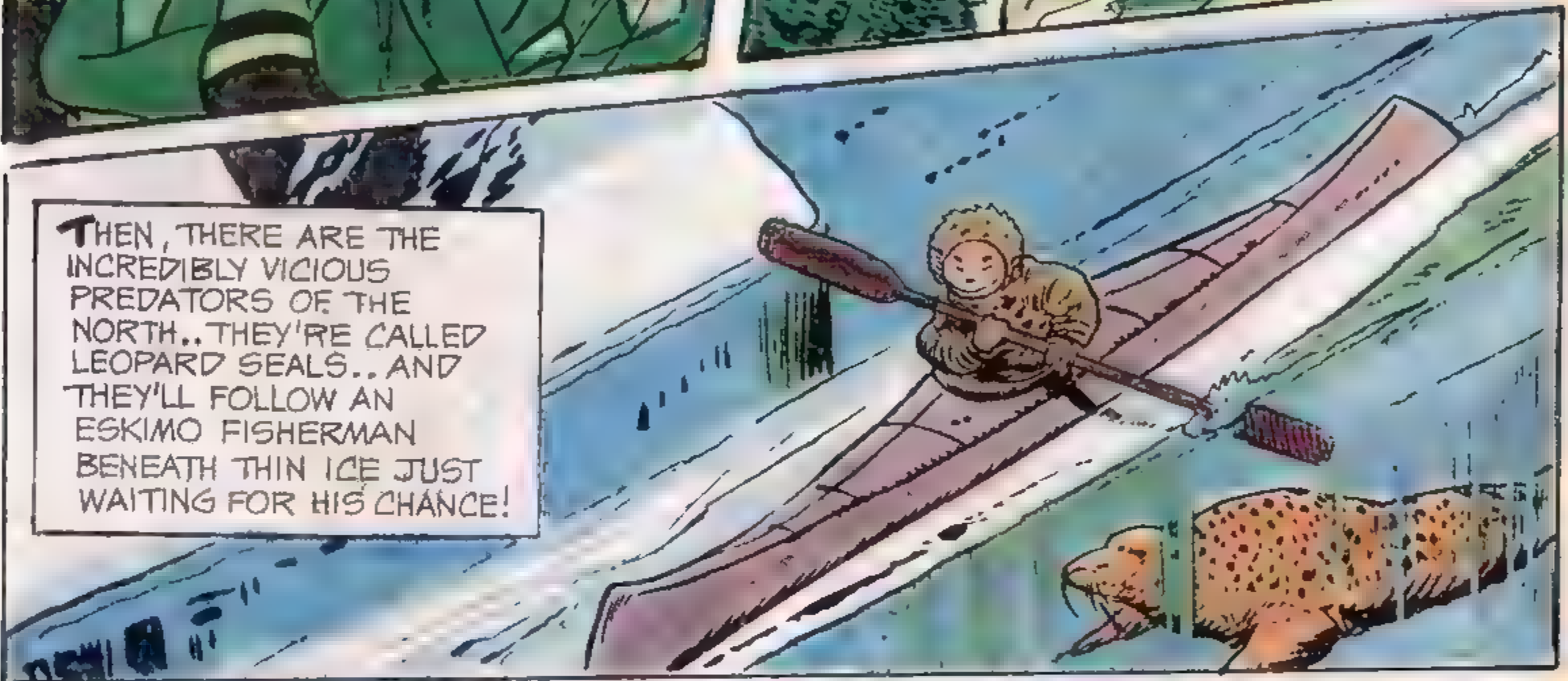
YOU SEE, SIZE DOESN'T DETERMINE THE DANGER TO HUMAN LIFE! THERE'S THE JELLYFISH, PARTICULARLY THE 'PORTUGUESE MAN-O-WAR'. THEY INJECT POISON THROUGH THEIR DANGLING TENACLES..THE SAME KIND OF VENOM THE COBRA EMITS!



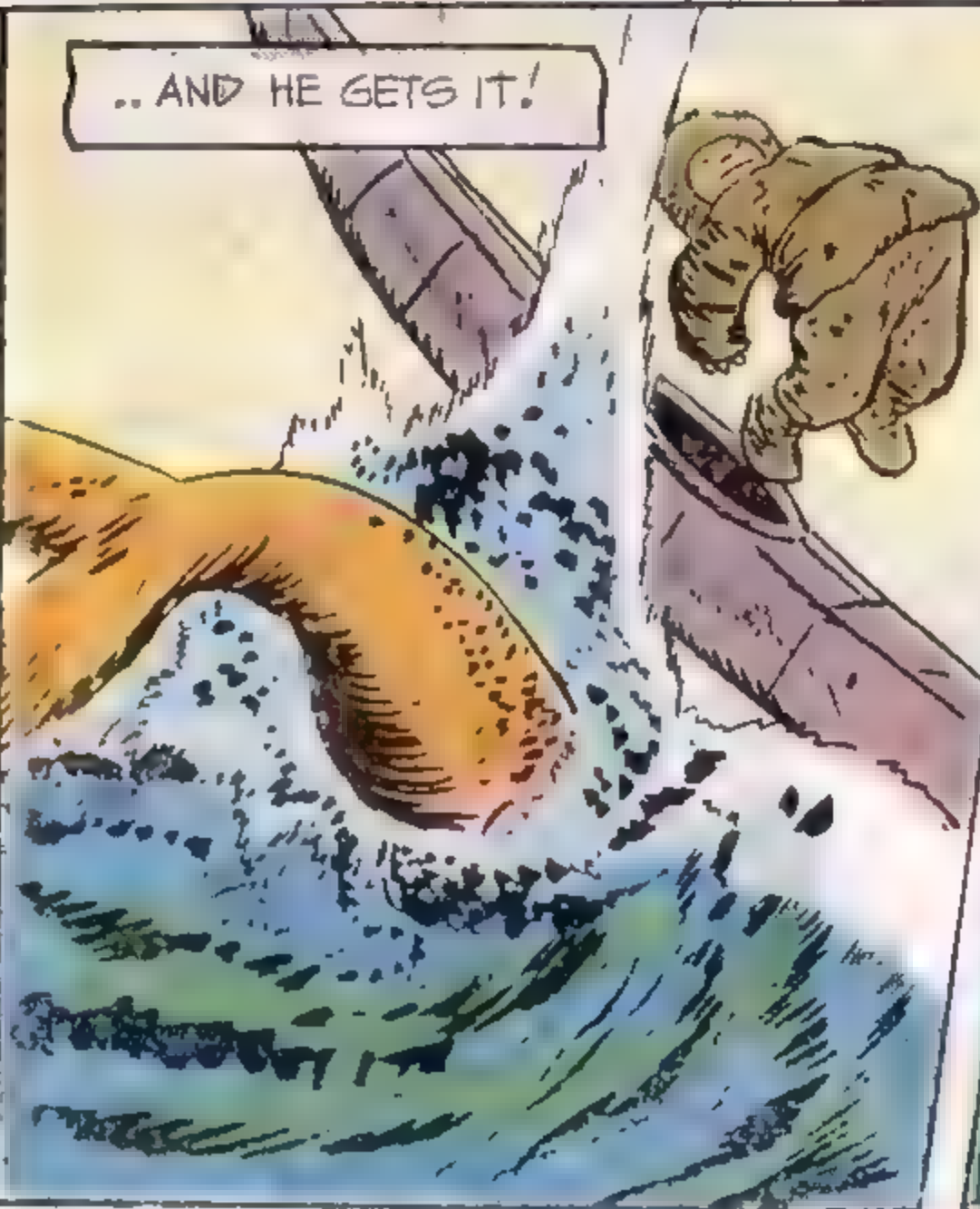
THERE'S THE SEA URCHIN WHICH HAS SPINES UPON WHICH DIVERS MAY TREAD ..AND GET BLOOD POISONING! OR FIRE CORAL WHICH IS PRETTY PAINFUL...



THEN, THERE ARE THE INCREDIBLY VICIOUS PREDATORS OF THE NORTH..THEY'RE CALLED LEOPARD SEALS..AND THEY'LL FOLLOW AN ESKIMO FISHERMAN BENEATH THIN ICE JUST WAITING FOR HIS CHANCE!



.. AND HE GETS IT!



YOU'VE SEEN ALL THE KILLERS BUT ONE, THE DEADLIEST CREATURE IN, ON, OR ABOVE THE SEA! YEAH, MAN.. YOU!



KISWAHILI

Somo La Kumi na Mbili

BY MWALIMU BAHATI NJEMA

Swahili is technically known as Kiswahili by the people who speak it. It is the tongue spoken with variations by millions of people in Africa. It is now the official language of the United Republic of Tanzania, Kenya, and widely used in Uganda. Like all previous lessons, this one is also independent. You can start with any lesson and learn something of the language.

Here is a simplified key to help you pronounce the vowels in the words: *e* is somewhere between the *e* of better and the *ay* of day; *u* is like the *oo* in moon; *i* is like the *ee* in meet; *a* is like the *a* in father; and *o* is like the *aw* in saw.

As you need them, we will explain the consonants. However, *dh* is a combination like the *th* in them. *Q* and *X* are not used in Kiswahili. *C* is not found alone but only in the combination *CH* which is pronounced like the *Ch* in Church or China. *Sh* is like the *Sh* in Shin. *Ng* is like the *ng* in finger and *Ng'* is like the *ng* in sing.

Fortunately for you, Kiswahili is not a tonal language. Chinese is such a language. And the change in pitch does change the meaning of some Chinese words. For example, the word for sell in Chinese is pronounced the same way as the word for buy - but the tone is different.

Now for the stress: In general, the next to the last syllable of a Kiswahili word or phrase receives a stress, which consists of a slight increase in loudness. Usually, with some increase also in length.

You are hungry and you want to eat. So you say to the clerk at the hotel: Kuna restoranti katika hoteli? - Is there a restaurant in the hotel? Or you might say: Iko wapi mkahawa mzuri? - Where is a good restaurant? You and your friend are now in the restaurant: Tafadhali, utapatie meza kwa watu wawili. - Please, a table for two. The word for waiter is mwandiki. If there are four of you, you can ask for the table this way: Mwandiki twataka meza ya watu wanne, tafadhali - Waiter, we want a table for four, please.

Now you are seated. You want to see the menu. Nipe karatsi ya chakula. - May I see the menu? You might even use the English word menu in this question. Now you have to take a chance. Chakula gani lso? - What is good today? He will then tell you what he thinks is the best choice of the menu - you hope. Iko Tayari? - Is it ready? Otherwise you might have a long wait. Itachukua muda gani? - How long will it take?

Ningependa kuagiza sasa. - I would like to order now. But what? Here are some items you should know:

Chumvi-salt sukari - sugar pilipili - pepper. siki - vinegar maziwa - milk nikate na siagi - bread and butter. tunda - a piece of fruit. matunda - fruit (plural) ugi - porridge or gruel, yai-egg. mayai - eggs nyama - meat. nyama ya ng'ombe - beef. nyama ya nguruwe - pork, chungwa - orange machungwa - oranges, embe-mango, maembe - mangoes. ndizi - banana or bananas supu - soup samaki - fish, chai - tea kahawa - coffee. kikombe - a cup bilarui - a glass kisu - a knife sanari - a plate kijiko - a spoon.

You want the waiter to bring you an item. Here is the key phrase to remember: Tafadhali niletee. . . - Please bring me. . . Tafadhali niletee mayai - Please bring me eggs. He may say to you: Je, unataka matunda? - Do you want some fruit? You would reply: Kuna matunda gani? - What kind of fruit is there? If there is a bowl of fruit, you can point to the item you want.

Now you have finished eating: Tafadhali niletee deni yangu - Please bring me the bill. You might also say: Tafadhali niletee check caangu. Please bring me my check.

Take a good look at the check. Add up the items. Then you might have to say: Hiki ni sawasawa? - Is this correct? Next: Bakshishi iko ndani? - Is the tip included. When you go abroad - and even in some places in this country - the service charge is put on the bill. So ask! Now: Hiki ni chako - This is for you. However if you give him the money to give the cashier and he comes back with the change: Tunza baki ya fedha - Keep the change.

Some extra material that might come in handy: Ninataka - I want Unataka - You want (singular) Mnataka - You want (plural). Njaa-hunger. Una njaa- you are hungry. Ana njaa - He or she is hungry. Nina njaa-I am hungry. Watoto wangu wana njaa - My children are hungry. Kuna ndizi - Are there any bananas? Tafadhali niletee chungwa moja - Please bring me one orange. Unataka supu? - Are you having soup. Unataka samaki? - Do you want fish. La, sipendi - No, I don't want it. Tafadhali niletee nyama sasa. - Please bring me the meat now.

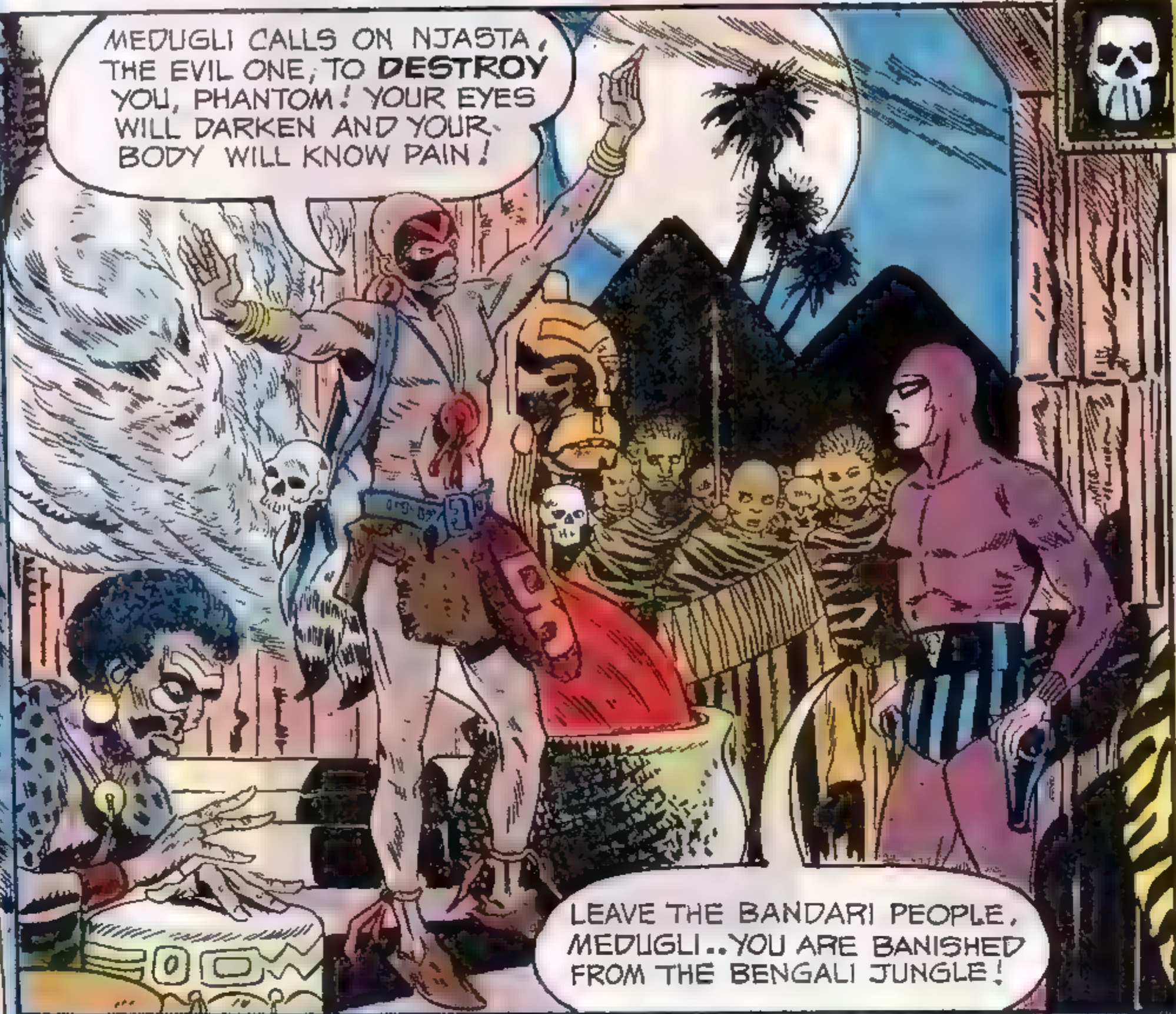
Tear out this sheet and save it. Tell your friends there will be more lessons about this wonderful language. Be the first in your group to speak it. Each lesson will be independent so you can go ahead even if you missed any lesson.

THE

PHANTOM

NOT LONG AGO IN THE BENGALI JUNGLE, A MEDICINE MAN OF THE BANDARI TRIBE BEGAN BEHAVING STRANGELY! WORD CAME TO THE PHANTOM IN SKULL CAVE AND HE CONFRONTED MEDUGLI AND DEFIED HIS CURSE...!!

MEDUGLI CALLS ON NJASTA, THE EVIL ONE, TO DESTROY YOU, PHANTOM! YOUR EYES WILL DARKEN AND YOUR BODY WILL KNOW PAIN!

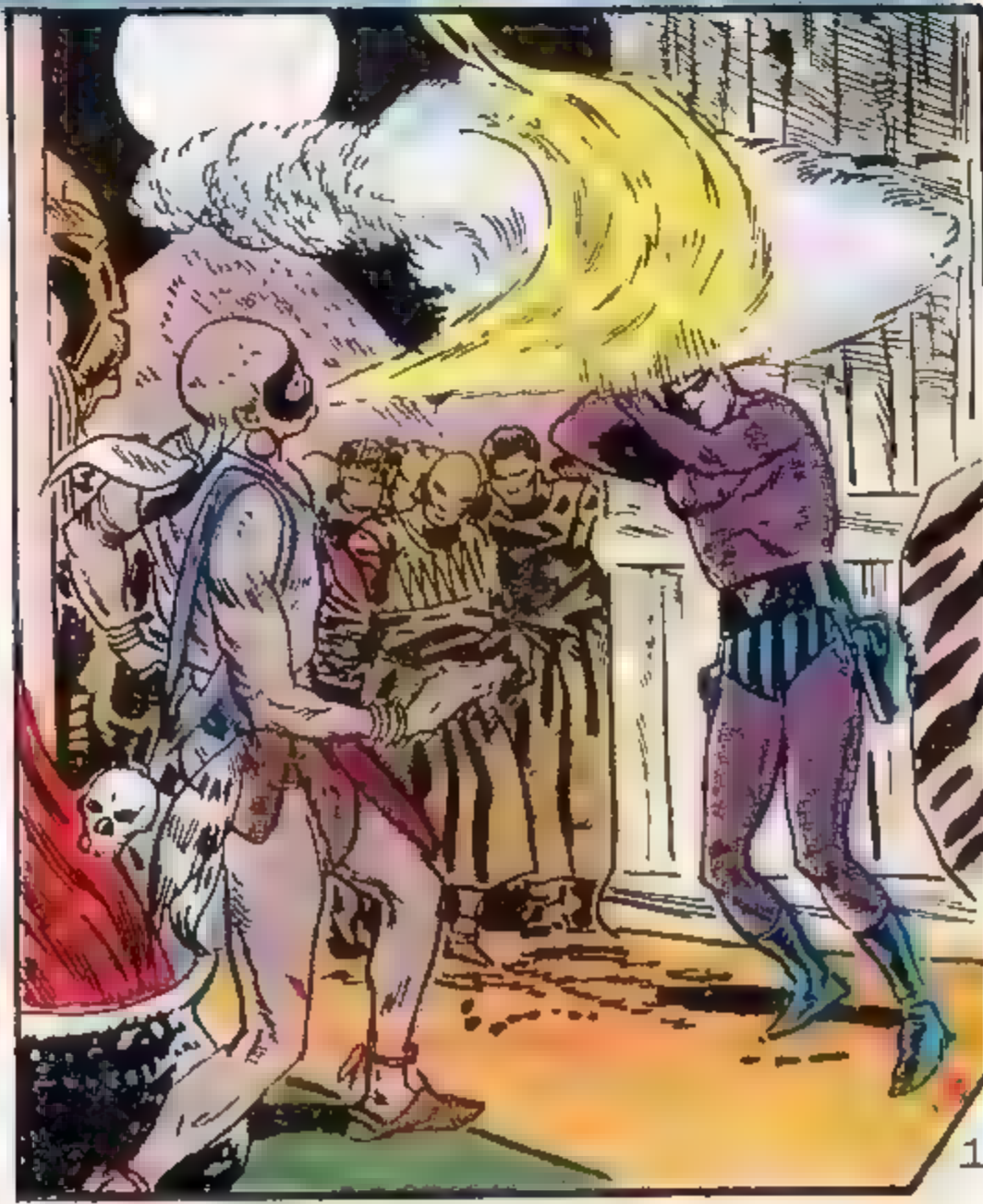
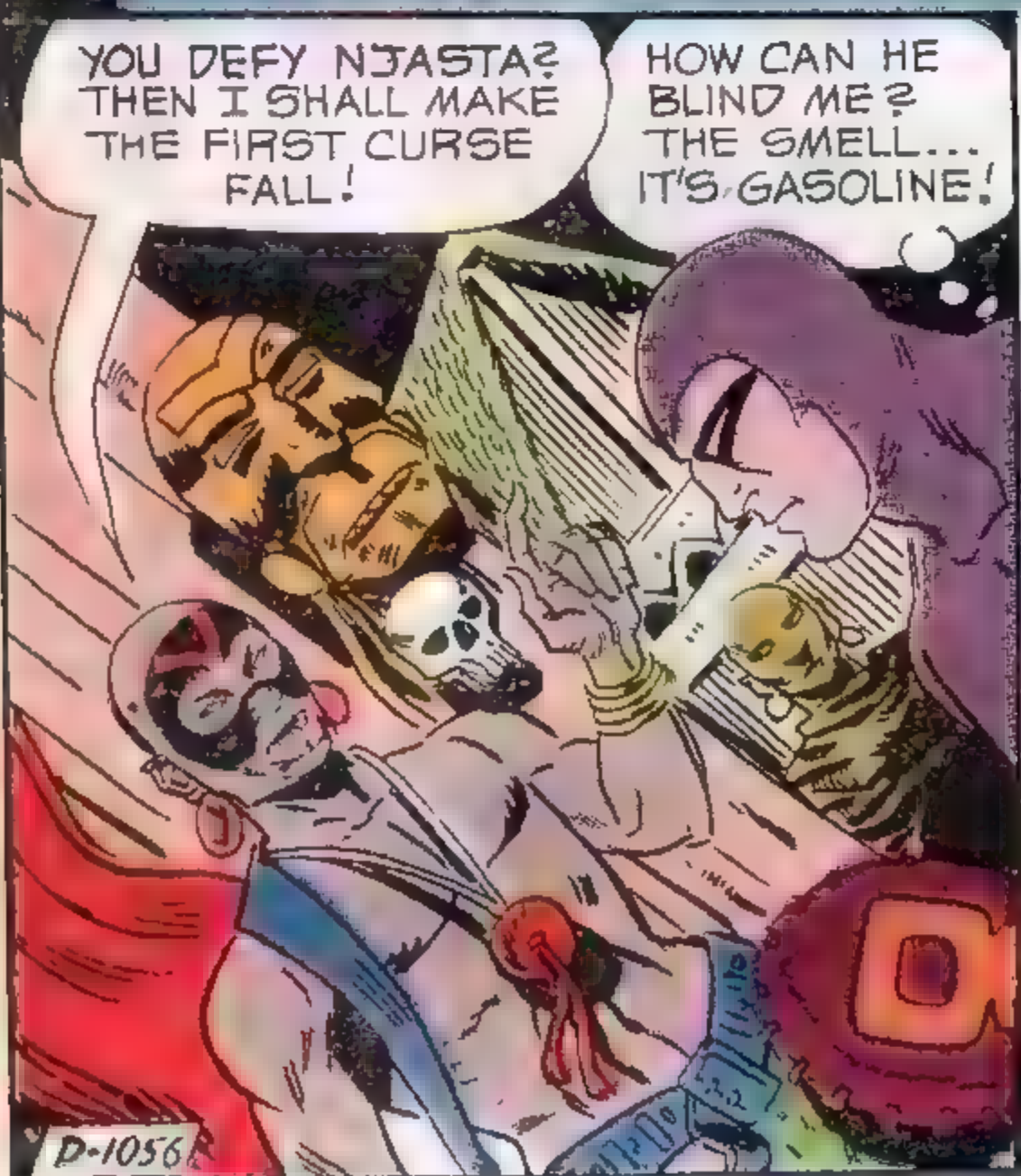


LEAVE THE BANDARI PEOPLE, MEDUGLI..YOU ARE BANISHED FROM THE BENGALI JUNGLE!

IN **The Rain STOPPER!**

YOU DEFY NJASTA? THEN I SHALL MAKE THE FIRST CURSE FALL!

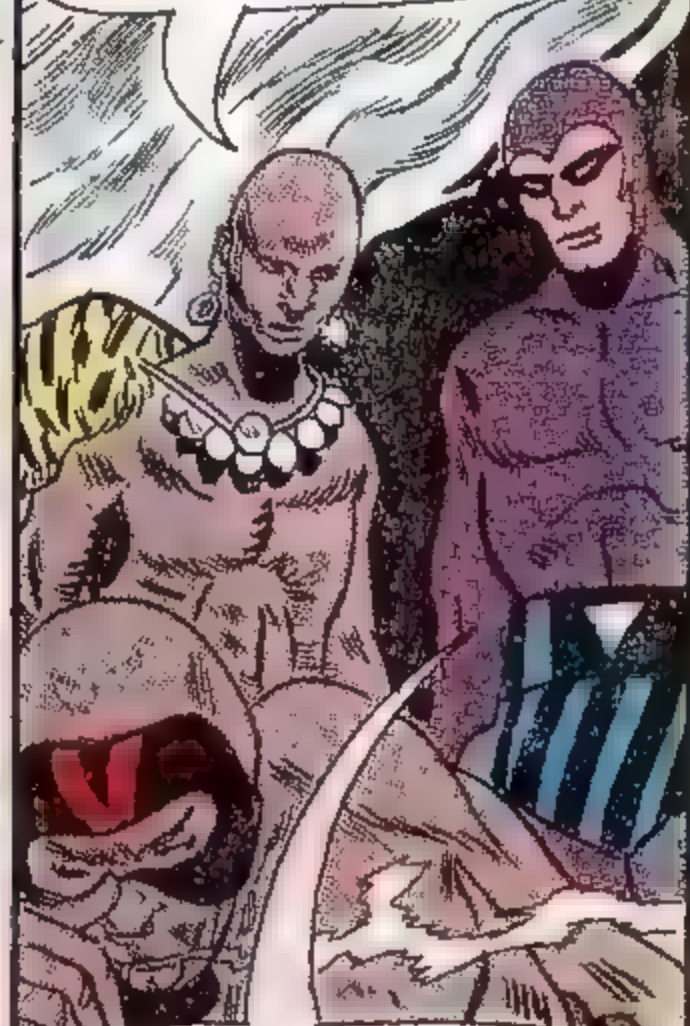
HOW CAN HE BLIND ME? THE SMELL... IT'S GASOLINE!



MEDUGLI'S A TRICKY RASCAL!

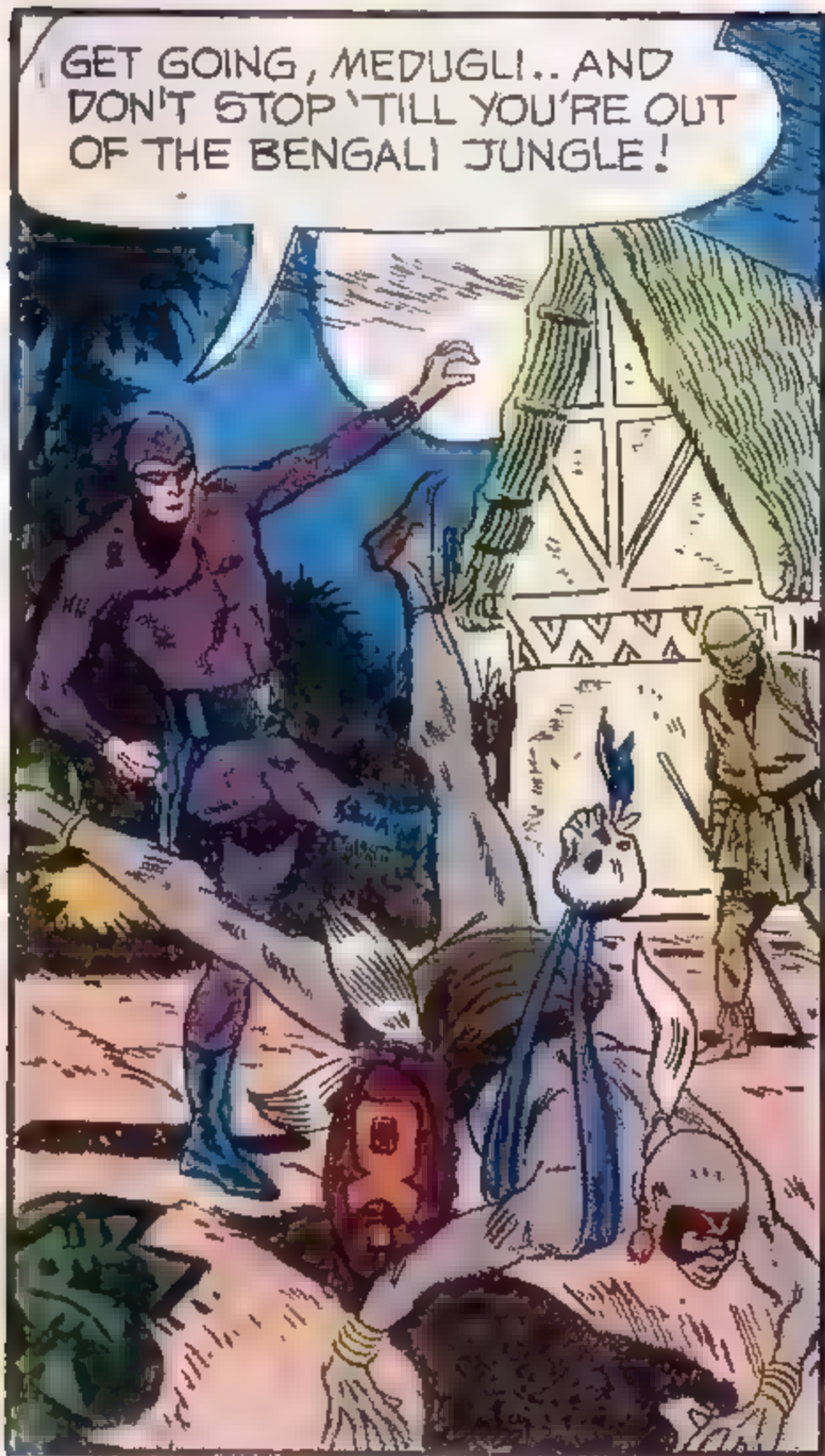


LEAVE BEFORE HE RECOVERS, GHOST WHO WALKS! YOU SAW..HE BREATHES FIRE!



ANYONE CAN DO THAT FIRE-EATER'S TRICK! HE HAS NO GREAT POWERS.. HE WILL NOT BOTHER THE BANDAR AGAIN!

GET GOING, MEDUGLI.. AND DON'T STOP 'TILL YOU'RE OUT OF THE BENGALI JUNGLE!



SO, THE BANDARI HAD PEACE ONCE MORE, AND THE PHANTOM RODE HERO WITH DEVIL TROTTERING ALONGSIDE TO PRESERVE THAT PEACE...

THE SUMMER RAINS ARE OVERDUE..THIS WATERHOLE SHOULD BE FILLED BY NOW!



THEN, THE PHANTOM FOUND THE GRAZING CREATURES GROWING THIN AND THE PREDATORS BECOMING MORE DARING IN THE SEARCH FOR FOOD, STILL THE RAINS DID NOT FALL! AND THE BANDARI KNEW WHY....

THE CROPS ARE POOR AND THE COWS DO NOT GIVE MILK, PHANTOM!

IT IS MEDUGLI WHO HAS BROUGHT THIS CURSE UPON US!

MEDUGLI IS GONE.. HE WILL NEVER RETURN!

NO.. THIS IS MEDUGLI'S DROUGHT! HE IS ON THE FAR SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN MAKING MUCH BAD MEDICINE!

YOU BELIEVE THIS! I WILL FIND MEDUGLI!

MEDUGLI WAS BEYOND THE MOUNTAINS.. THAT STEEP RANGE OVER WHICH THE RAIN CLOUDS ALWAYS DRIFTED!

IF MEDUGLI IS DOWN THERE! WE MUST SEEK HIM OUT SO THE BANDARI WILL KNOW IT IS NOT A CURSE THAT HAS STOPPED THE RAIN!

HALFWAY DOWN THE SIDE OF THIS TOWERING MOUNTAIN, MEDUGLI HAD FOUND A KINDRED SPIRIT..AN UNLIKELY PARTNERSHIP!

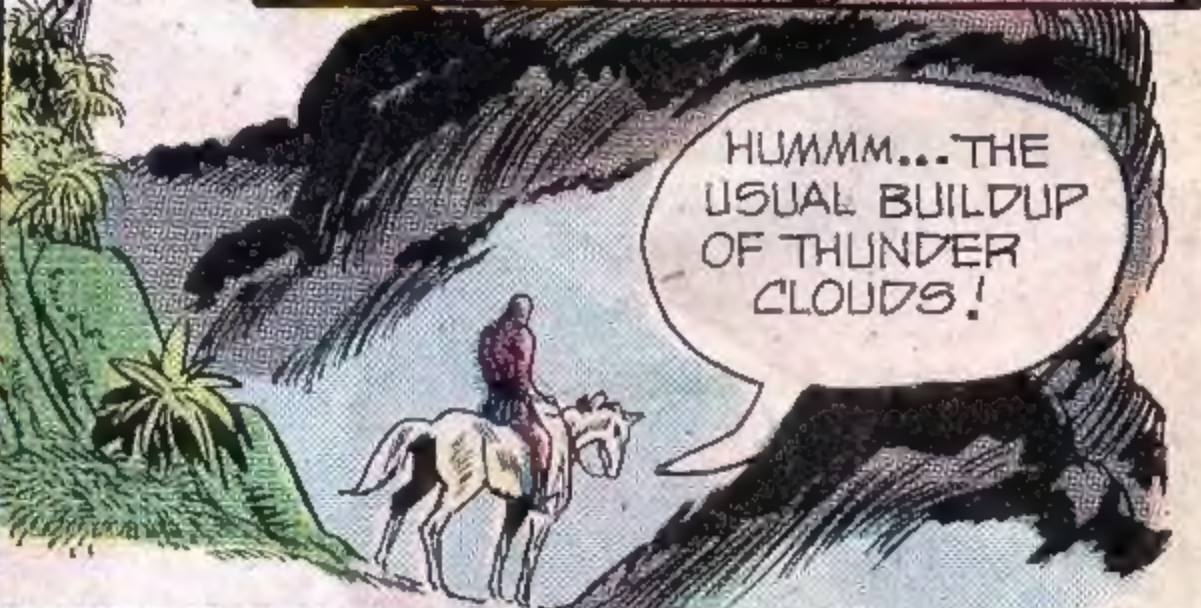


MAKE YOUR MEDICINE AGAINST RAIN FOR THE BENGALI JUNGLE, MEDUGLI!

RAIN CLOUDS FALL HERE.. DO NOT GO TO THE BANDARI!



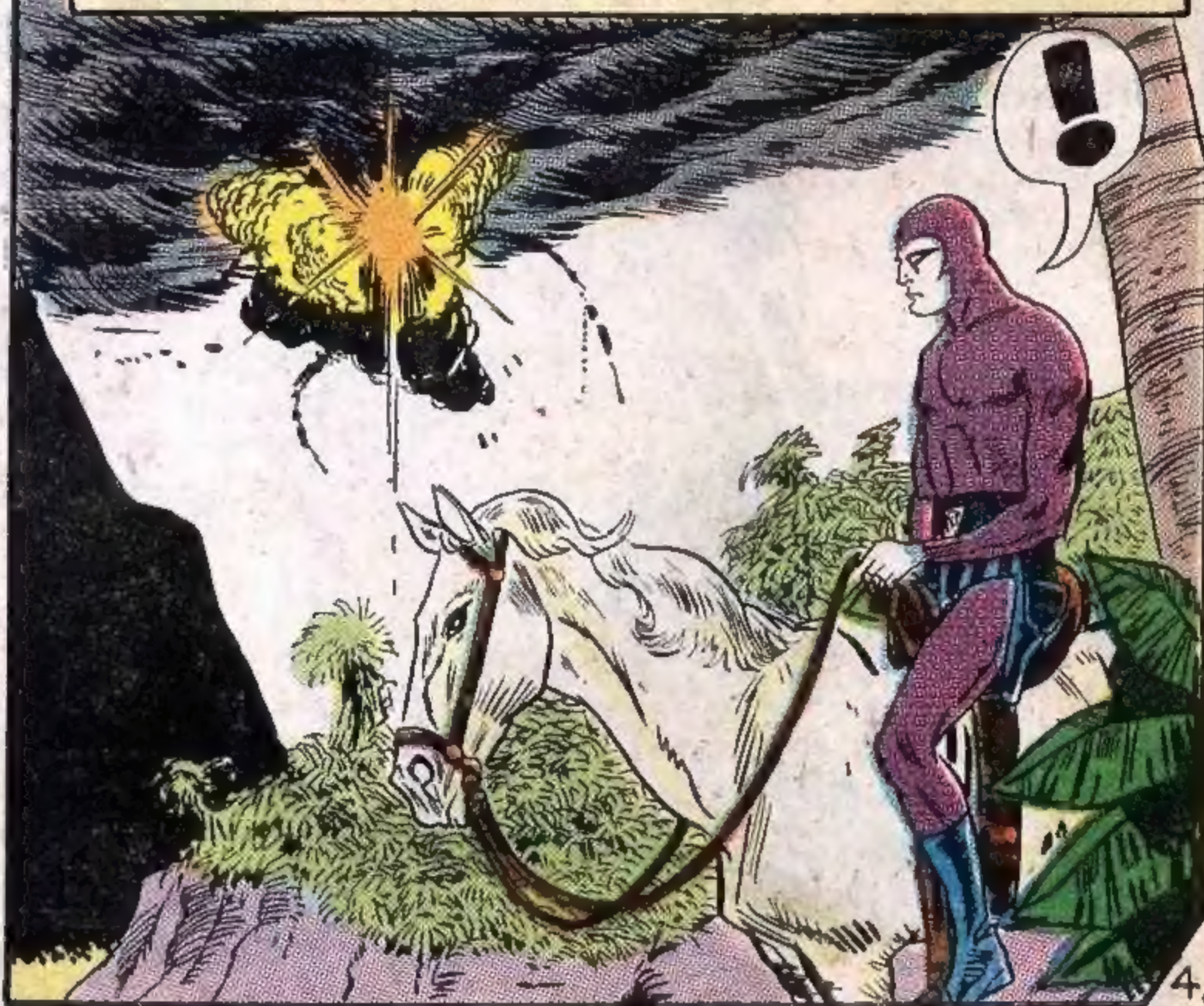
HUMMM...THE USUAL BUILDUP OF THUNDER CLOUDS!



MEDUGLI'S RAIN DANCE WILL BE AUGMENTED BY MY OWN PRACTICAL METHODS!



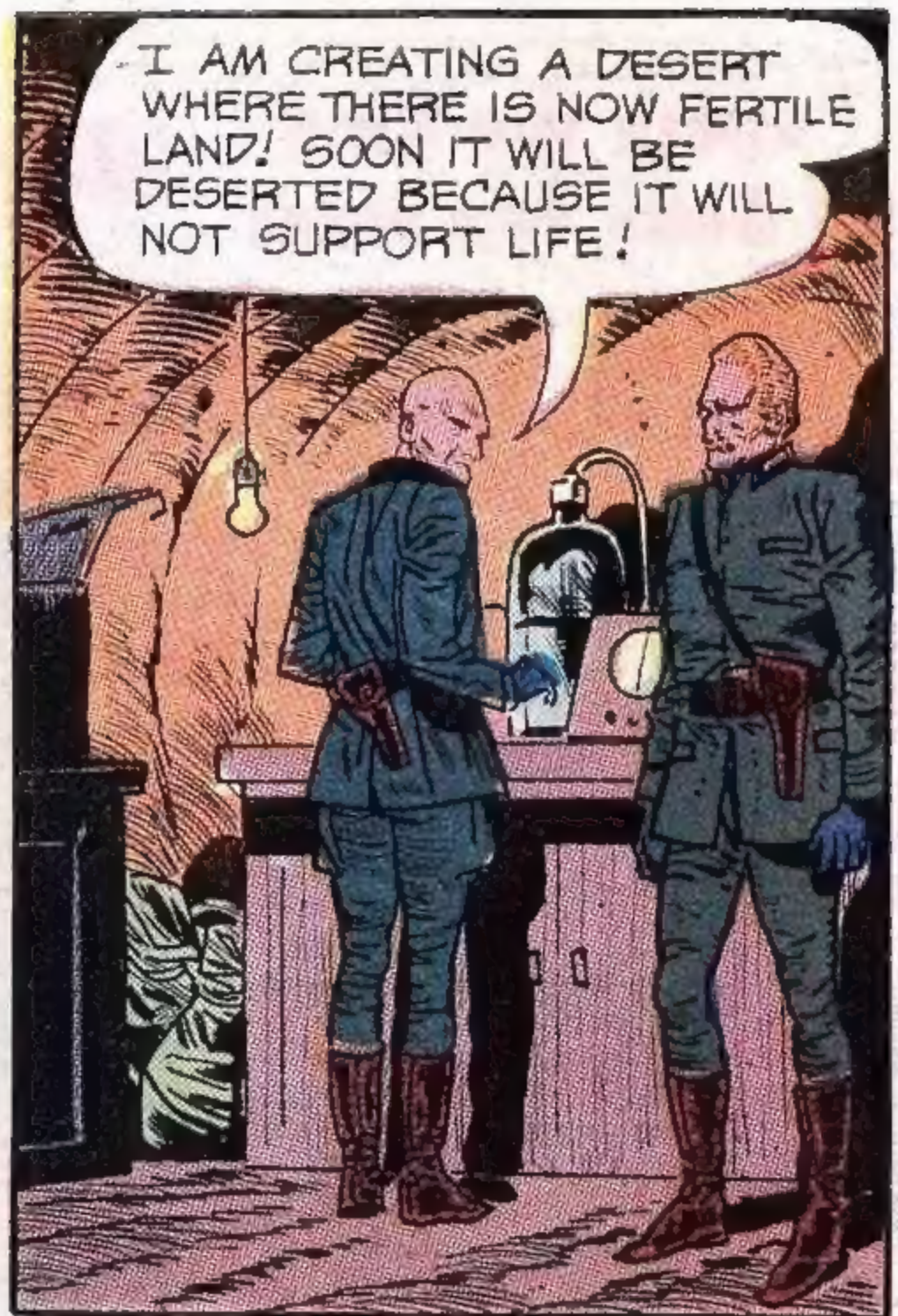
STEPPING TO THE CONTROLS OF THE HUGE CANNON, PROFESSOR HARRCH, THE WEIRD SCIENTIST PRESSED THE FIRING BUTTON AND....



THE EXPLODING WARHEAD WAS LOADED WITH SILVER IODIDE WHICH CAUSED THE VAPOR IN THE RAIN CLOUDS TO CONDENSE INTO DROP-LETS..WHICH TRIGGERED A CLOUDBURST!



YOU LAUGHED AT ME, 'GHOST-WHO-WALKS' ..BUT ONCE MORE MEDUGLI HAS KEPT THE RAIN FROM FALLING UPON BENGALI !



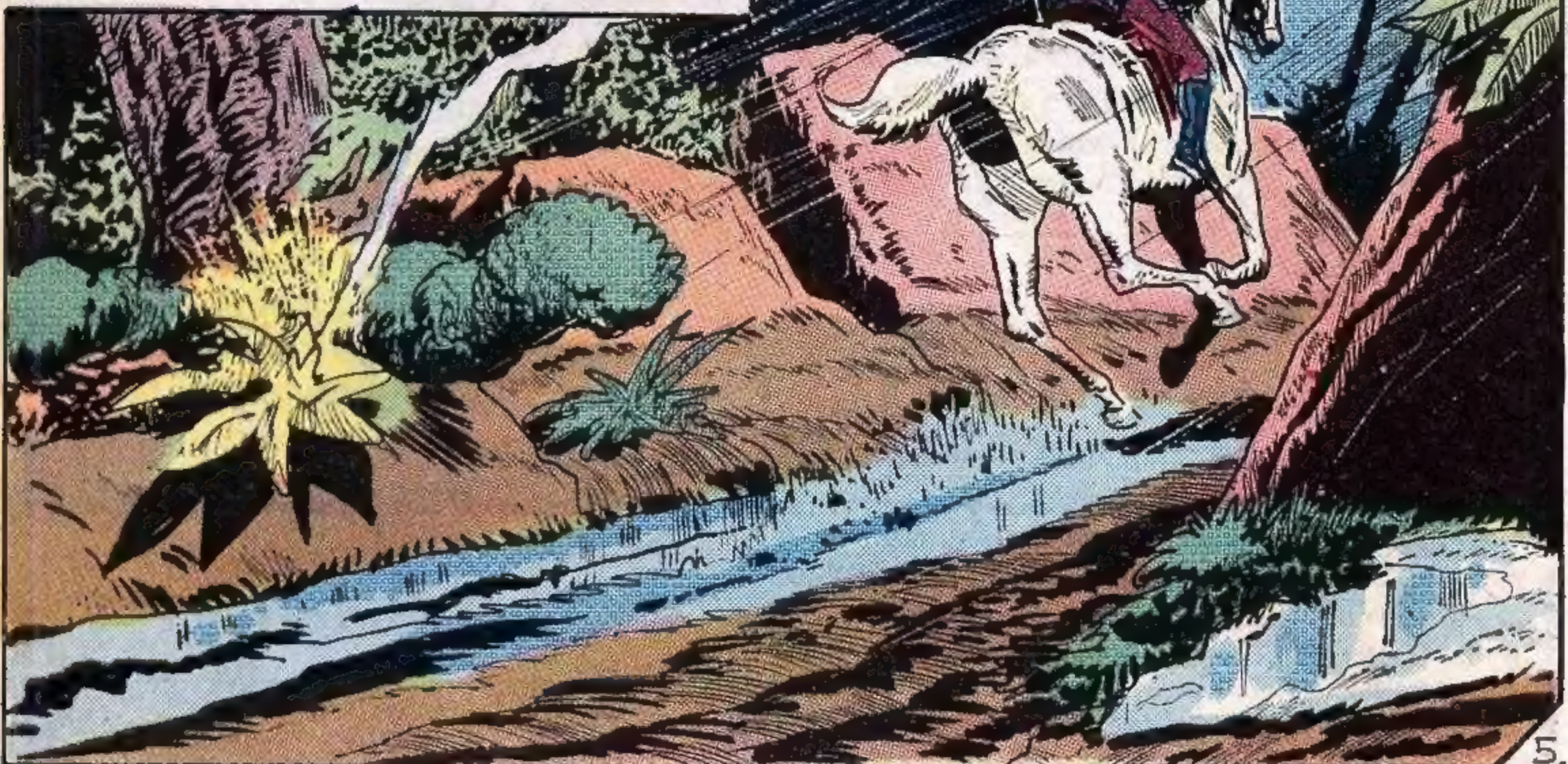
I AM CREATING A DESERT WHERE THERE IS NOW FERTILE LAND! SOON IT WILL BE DESERTED BECAUSE IT WILL NOT SUPPORT LIFE !



AND..I, IGNATZ HARRCH, WILL RULE OVER A FERTILE EMPIRE!



I SAW THE RAINSTORM BEGIN..THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION AND FLASH DOWN HERE FIRST..AND THEN AN EXPLOSION IN THE CLOUDS...



AH..THE LIGHT BEGINS TO DAWN... ELECTRIFIED
FENCE.. ARMED GUARD.. GIANT CANNON ...
SOMEONE IS SEEDING THE CLOUDS...!!



WELL, LET'S SEE IF
WE CAN GET A
CLOSER LOOK...



CAUGHT BY SURPRISE .. HE
WASN'T ABLE TO SOUND AN
ALARM!

NOW TO PUT THAT
CANNON OUT OF
ACTION!

... SO FAR SO..GOOD... A FEW MORE
ROCKS AND...

.. WE'LL SET IT OFF!

THE EXPLOSION IS
DEVASTATING.. AND
HARRCH'S RAINMAKER
IS SPREAD ALL OVER
THE JUNGLE!

HARRCH AND MEDUGLI
WERE NEVER HEARD
FROM AGAIN, AND THE
RAIN AND THE PHANTOM
HAPPILY RETURNED TO
THE BENGALI JUNGLE!

THE END